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PORTUGAL'S ACTIVE PART IN WAR WITH THE ALLIES FORESHADOWED IN LONDON

(Our Own Correspondent)

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London, To-day.
ABANDONMENT OF HER POLICY of benevolent neutrality towards Britain, and active association of Portugal in the war on Germany, is now being visualised in London, according to well-informed political quarters.

Portugal's change of attitude is reported to have been dictated by the sequels to the German-Soviet non-aggression pact, notably the violation of Poland by both Germany and the Soviet.

London quarters do not anticipate any very quick decision, and do not expect an actual declaration of war by Portugal.

What does appear to be likely is the gradual adoption by Portugal of an openly hostile attitude towards Germany, taking the form of active naval assistance in destroying U-boats and so on.

It is reported from Lisbon that the Portuguese Home Fleet, which includes twelve of the newest naval units, have already taken up their positions in secret naval war bases and are ready for mobilisation orders at a moment's notice.—Our Own Correspondent.

POLAND'S GOLD RESERVES

(Our Own Correspondent)

(By Telegraph. Received, Sept. 28, 11.32 a.m.)

Paris, To-day.

The German radio yesterday admitted that all Polish gold reserves and foreign securities were safely taken out of the country by the Polish authorities.

Yesterday, there were reports that the Rumanian Government has seized part of the gold reserve as security for the cost of maintaining refugees from Poland.

Berne reports, however, state that the gold and securities have been deposited with the National Bank in Bucharest.—Our Own Correspondent.

SOVIET'S DEMANDS

London, To-day.
Various reports are current as to the purpose of the Estonian Foreign Minister's second flight to Moscow.

One report says he will negotiate a treaty with Russia, but a Kaunas despatch says that the Soviet has made definite demands of Estonia, including the acquisition of two Estonian islands to be used as Soviet naval bases.—Reuter.

WEATHER FORECAST—North-East winds, moderate to fresh; fair.

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FAILURE OF GERMAN AIR ATTACK

London, To-day.

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The fact that none of our ships were hit and that there were not even any casualties, proves that capital ships are not the easy target they are claimed to be by supporters of the aeroplane.

Well-armed ships, says a naval correspondent, can deal with air bombing with comparative ease.—Reuter.

INCOME TAX HITS HARD

London, To-day.

Britain's war budget clearly demonstrates the country's determination to smash Hitlerism at any cost, is the view of the Press.

At the same time, several newspapers, notably "The Times," criticise certain features of Sir John Simon's work.

"The Times" dwells on the fact that the budget reflects the most colossal effort, an unprecedented readiness to make sacrifices, and an unequivocal proof of terrific financial strength.

It is of the opinion, however, that it might have been better to leave the standard rate of income tax alone for the current year, while forecasting a higher standard for next year.—Reuter.

GERMAN CAPTURE RESCUED BRITISH CREW

Gothenburg, To-day.
A German destroyer stopped the Swedish liner, Prinses Margaret, seven miles from here and took off the crew of seven of a British trawler, the Caldwel, who had been rescued by the liner after their ship had been sunk in the North Sea.—Reuter.

ARTILLERY DUEL NEAR PERL

Brussels, To-day.
A fierce artillery duel has been continuing since 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon near Perl and other villages in Germany near the Luxembourg frontier.—Reuter.

"LIGHTNING WAR A NAZI LIE"

London, To-day.

The latest German Freedom Radio Station broadcast states that German soldiers are already wading in mud, and asks what conditions will be like in the winter.

A lightning war, it declares, is a Nazi lie.

Germany to-day is in the situation of Austria when Dr. Schuschnigg called at Berchtesgaden. Thus has von Ribbentrop been summoned to Moscow.

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GERMAN AIR ATTACK ON HOME FLEET BEATEN OFF

London, To-day.

A BATTLE IN THE North Sea between units of the British Fleet and German aircraft was announced in the House of Commons yesterday by the First Lord of the Admiralty, Mr. Winston Churchill.

Mr. A. V. Alexander (Labour) asked if Mr. Churchill had any statement to make on an announcement by the German High Command that ships of the British Fleet had been attacked in the middle of the North Sea by German aircraft.

Was there any truth, he enquired, in the German claim that a British battleship had been damaged, an aircraft-carrier destroyed and that the German planes suffered no losses?

Mr. Churchill quoted a wireless message received from Admiral Sir Charles Forbes, Commander-in-Chief of the Home Fleet.

The message said: "Yesterday afternoon, in the middle of the North Sea, a squadron of our capital ships, accompanied by an aircraft-carrier, cruisers and destroyers, was attacked by 20 German aeroplanes.

"None of the British vessels were hit and we suffered no casualties.

150 MILES OFF NORWAY

"One German flyingboat was brought down by anti-aircraft fire and another badly damaged. A third German plane came down on the sea, and a destroyer picked up the machine and the crew of four, who were taken prisoner."

A statement issued by the Admiralty in London yesterday revealed that the action took place in the North Sea 150 miles from the Norwegian coast.—Reuter.

LITERALLY, ABSOLUTELY CORRECT

London, To-day.

A further announcement was made in London late last night in connection with the unsuccessful Nazi air attack on a British squadron in the North Sea.

The announcement says that Mr. Winston Churchill's statement in the House of Commons was literally and absolutely correct, and that there was no truth in the German counter-statement that an aircraft-carrier had been sunk, a battleship badly damaged and that all the Nazi planes returned safely to their base.—Reuter.

WANTED: JAPANESE PRISONERS

Shuiwan, To-day.

Rewards are being offered for the capture of Japanese, according to an announcement by the military authorities.

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GERMANS FORCED TO ABANDON SAARBRUCKEN

Paris, To-day.
The increasingly intense French artillery fire has forced the Germans to completely evacuate Saarbruecken, which is now encircled on three sides.

Zweibruecken is threatened and is under continuous French artillery fire.

The German artillery fire has lengthened and is now being directed towards the French rear.

Villages far behind the lines, which had been evacuated, are now being shelled.

The official French commentator says that the concentrations of German troops at Aachen (Aix-la-Chapelle) are now considered to be not as important as was at first thought.

He said that four German planes were brought down on Monday, and two French planes were lost in Germany.

SIEGFRIED LINE

Many important German positions in the Siegfried Line have been wiped out by French artillery fire.

It is stated in Paris that there are between 30 to 40 pill-boxes to the square mile in the Line.

The intense German fire is believed to be intended as a protection for troops who are hurriedly re-building shattered blockhouses and erecting new pill-boxes.

German troops from the Pollash front are still massing behind the Siegfried Line.—Reuter.

RECONNAISSANCE

A communiqué states that yesterday was marked by the activity of our air reconnaissance units.—Reuter.

UNABLE TO HOLD TOWN

Paris, To-day.

The Germans have completely evacuated Saarbruecken.

The French seriously threatened Zweibruecken which has been under continuous artillery fire.

Saarbruecken was evacuated because the French artillery and machine gun fire became so heavy that the Germans were unable to hold the town. They were trying to loosen the grip with which the French had partly encircled it.

Between Zweibruecken and Hornbach, the Germans were showing uneasiness owing to the French hold on the Ohrenthal salient, which protrudes into German territory, its ridges dominating the Hornbach stream.

German guns have been pounding the salient for several days.—Reuter.

WAR WILL BE WON BUT NOT QUICKLY

Canberra, To-day.

The Australian Premier, Mr. R. G. Menzies, said in a radio broadcast yesterday that it would be unwise to send a large expeditionary force overseas at present.

The air expeditionary force promised to Britain would be more useful,

UNITED STATES OF EUROPE?

London, To-day.

At question time in the House of Commons yesterday the Government was asked if it would consider, as part of possible peace terms, the establishment of a United States of Europe.

Mr. R. A. Butler, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, replied that the Government's aim was the establishment of a stable international situation, the prevention of war and peaceful settlement of disputes.

It was not desirable at this stage, Mr. Butler continued, to commit themselves.

Mr. Butler was asked if the establishment of a United States of Europe was ruled out, and replied that the possibility was not excluded.—Reuter.

London, To-day. Questioned on the project for a United States of Europe, Mr. R. A. Butler told the Commons that, as the Prime Minister had indicated, His Majesty's Government desired the formation of a stable international system, having as its object the prevention of war and a just settlement of international disputes by pacific means.

They did not, however, regard it as desirable to commit themselves at this stage to any particular procedure for achieving this aim.—British Wireless.

AIR MINISTER TO TELL HIS STORY

London, To-day.

Sir Kingsley Wood, the Secretary for Air, said in the House of Commons yesterday that he would follow Mr. Winston Churchill's example and make a full statement on the part of the R.A.F. in the war on a suitable occasion.—Reuter.

he added.

Mr. Menzies stated conditions were different from 1914, when the belligerents were known and there was no danger of an invasion of Australia.

"I believe," he concluded, "that there is a serious menace to the British Empire. The war will be won but not quickly, and we must preserve our resources."—Reuter.

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MOSCOW CENTRE OF INTENSE DIPLOMATIC ACTIVITY: BALKAN PACT SPECULATION

THE VISIT OF THE Turkish Foreign Minister to Moscow, during which he is continuing his talks with the Soviet Foreign Minister, M. Molotov, and the President of the Supreme Council, M. Kalinin, is causing much speculation.

It is surmised in some quarters that the visit is connected with general Balkan problems as well as with direct Turkish-Soviet relations.

A report from Bucharest says it is believed that negotiations are under way for a new Balkan Pact under the patronage of Russia and Italy.

The Pact would include Turkey, Rumania, Bulgaria, Yugo-Slavia, Hungary and Greece, in union with Italy and Russia.

The new alliance would guarantee the status quo in the Eastern Mediterranean.

It would mean that Hungary would renounce her claims against Rumania, and that Rumania would receive a Russian guarantee that Bessarabia remain a part of Rumania.

RUSSIA'S INTEREST

It is in Russia's interest, it is pointed out in Bucharest, to check German domination of South-Eastern Europe.

It is also hinted that the flight to Moscow of Joachim von Ribbentrop, the Nazi Foreign Minister, may have been the result of this proposal having been made known in Berlin.—Reuter.

SELTHER ARRIVES

Moscow, To-day.

Dr. Selter, the Estonian Foreign Minister, and other Estonian delegates, arrived here last night.

In the party was the Estonian Minister to Russia.—Reuter.

Moscow, To-day.

Joachim von Ribbentrop, the Nazi Foreign Minister, arrived here by air at 4.15 yesterday afternoon.

He was accompanied, among others, by Herr Foerster, Nazi regional leader in Danzig.—Reuter.

GUARD OF HONOUR

Berlin, To-day.

Herr von Ribbentrop arrived at Moscow at 5.50 p.m. local time, accompanied by Foerster, the Hitler nominee as civil administrator of Danzig.

The aerodrome at Moscow was gaily decorated and there was a large gathering of Soviet and German officials, the former headed by Mr. Potemkin.

SHE BECAME STOUT ALL AT ONCE

Face Nearly Twice as Big as Before

Some people seem to put on weight all of a sudden. You meet them one day, and they are quite normal, then the next time you see them you hardly recognise them, they have become so fat. That was what happened to this woman, who put on 5½ stone before she began taking Kruschen.

"I used to be very thin," she writes, "only 8 stone 8 lbs. Then all at once I got so stout, my friends did not know me. My face was nearly twice the size, I had a double chin and my arms were terribly fat. I weighed 14 stone 2 lbs. Then one day I began taking Kruschen Salt. Imagine my surprise when I started going thinner. I am now 10 stone 11 lbs., and I am still enough for my height, as I am very tall. I have never dieted a bit, and I feel much better in health." (Mrs.) S.A.

Before the first bottle of Kruschen is finished, the fat starts to go. Then, month after month, the scales tell the same story—day by day, less of superfluous flesh to burden the body and endanger the health.

FOOTBALL POOLS BANNED

London, To-day.
The football pools, which have for some years past been the most popular of Britain's winter pastimes, have been officially vetoed.

This is in consequence of the strain already thrown on the Post Office by the war.—Reuter.

The Italian Ambassador was also present to welcome the German delegation.

Von Ribbentrop inspected a guard of honour before going to the German Embassy.—Reuter.

TALKS IN MOSCOW

Moscow, To-day.
The Turkish Foreign Minister yesterday continued his talks with Soviet diplomats.—Reuter.

RIBBENTROP'S STAFF

Moscow, To-day.
A total of 39 officials accompanied Joachim von Ribbentrop on his trip to Moscow.

In addition to regional leader Foerster, they included the legal adviser to the Foreign Office and the head of the economic department.

Von Ribbentrop had his first discussion with Soviet officials at the Kremlin last evening.—Reuter.

NEW CROIX DE GUERRE

Paris, To-day.
The French Army is now awarding a new Croix de Guerre different from that of the last War.

The new medal will be awarded for gallantry not only on the field of battle but for valorous feats outside the battle zone.—Reuter.

ALLEGED BOMBING OF CIVILIANS

London, To-day.
THE GOVERNMENT was asked in the House of Commons yesterday if they would consider the formation of a neutral commission to investigate the alleged bombing of civilians.

Mr. R. A. Butler, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, said the Government had every sympathy for the proposal but the difficulties in a commission proceeding to the scene of bombings were almost insuperable.

Mr. Butler was asked about the bombing of a Polish town on September 12.

SOVIETS TOOK THE INITIATIVE

London, To-day.
Reuter's Diplomatic Correspondent, writing on Joachim von Ribbentrop's visit to Moscow, says that one important and indispensable fact is that the initiative came from Moscow.

Ribbentrop was summoned to the Kremlin not to make proposals but to receive them.

Whether the proposals concern only Poland or include the Baltic states and even the Balkans is a matter for surmise.

The fact that M. Seltzer, the Estonian Foreign Minister, and M. Sarajoglu, the Turkish Foreign Minister, are both at present in Moscow, suggests that a wide field of international politics may come under review, but there is an obvious difference in the attitude of Russia towards Turkey and towards Estonia.

MENACE TO BALTIC STATES

There is a growing menace in the language of the Russian press and wireless towards the Baltic states and Ribbentrop may find himself confronted with plans that are not too favourable for Germany's position in the Baltic.

Regarding the Balkans, indications suggest economic and political dealings, rather than territorial.—Reuter.

NEUTRALITY DEBATE

Washington, To-day.
The debate on the administration of the new Neutrality Bill and the repeal of the arms embargo may begin in the Senate on October 2.

Senator Borah, leader of the opposition to the measure, has announced that its opponent could gain little time by extending discussions in the Foreign Relations Committee.

The Committee is therefore expected to approve the measure promptly and its supporters are optimistic about quick action by the Senate.—Reuter.

LORD BLEDISLOE'S OFFER TO N.Z.

London, To-day.
Viscount Bledisloe, a former Governor-General of New Zealand, has offered his Gloucester seat at Lydney Park as a hospital or convalescent home for New Zealand forces.—Reuter.

WAR'S EFFECT ON EIRE

Dublin, To-day.
Mr. Eamonn de Valera, the Eire Prime Minister, announced in the Dail yesterday that Eire was definitely affected by the war.

The war would mean the disruption of trade and commerce, and the Government would make every effort to increase agricultural production in every way for home use and export.—Reuter.

INDIAN FACES GRAVE CHARGE

DESCRIBING IN DETAIL THE ALLEGED ASSAULT ON HER, LAU CHUNG, A 55 YEAR OLD WIDOW TOLD HER STORY AT THE CRIMINAL SESSIONS THIS MORNING BEFORE CHIEF JUSTICE SIR ATTOLL MACGREGOR WHEN BADHADUR KHAN A WATCHMAN WAS CHARGED WITH RAPE.

The following composed the jury.—Messrs. V. Liu (Foreman), Cheung Yam-kuen, E. Lin, A. Black, Wei Tat, Yeung Shun-wang and Yeung Lai-foon.

The case for the crown was conducted by Mr. M. J. Abbott, while defendant was unrepresented.

Mr. Abbott said that defendant was a guard attached to the Wongneilcheong Gap police station.

On July 12 two women, Lau Chung and Mok-ying, who reside near Deep Water Bay, started the morning as usual at the stall where they hawked, near Deep Water Bay golf course. At about 9 a.m., Lau Chung left her friend and went to a stream to wash and collect firewood. She was met by defendant and it was alleged, he caught hold of her after striking her several times, and committed the offence.

The complainant did not report the matter till the evening when the Police started enquiries.

ACCUSED'S DENIAL
As a result the defendant was questioned about the incident but he denied everything.

The woman was sent to the Queen Mary Hospital and it was found that she had abrasions on the shoulder, and internally, her condition was such as would suggest intercourse with force.

The Police continued enquiries and Mr. Shaftain conducted an identification parade in which the defendant was picked out by the woman.

Continuing, Mr. Abbott said that in the lower court defendant's solicitor had stated that the defence would be consent. He did not know what defendant's defence now was; yielding through violence or duress, he pointed out, was not consent.

Lau Chung said she did not tell Mok Ying of the incident as she was ashamed, and at the time of her return to the stall there were many people about.

She denied that she ran into the stream when she saw defendant. He was behind her when he held her hands.

The case is continuing.

JAPANESE ENVOY SEES MOLOTOV

Moscow, To-day.
The Japanese Ambassador, Mr. Togo, yesterday saw the Soviet Premier and Foreign Commissar, M. Molotov.

It is believed that Mr. Togo may have sought information on the visit to Moscow of the Nazi Foreign Minister.—Reuter.

Mr. A. V. White, of the Bank of East Asia Building, has reported the loss of a wrist-watch yesterday between the Hong Kong Hotel and the Bank of East Asia.

SEVERITY OF TAX INCREASES NOT UNEXPECTED

London, To-day.
THE SEVERITY OF THE tax increases announced by the Chancellor of the Exchequer was not unexpected, and his proposals which, apart from minor criticisms, received the approval of the Opposition leaders who spoke later, have been generally accepted by the public as a demonstration first of the determination of the country at whatever cost, to see the war through to victory, and secondly of the immense resources upon which the Government can call in the struggle which lies ahead.

The scheme of Sir John Simon's plans for obtaining the additional £226,500,000 in a full year by additional taxation superimposed on a tax system itself estimated in the last budget to yield £942,310,000, is contained in the passage of his speech in which the Chancellor explained that the economic problem of the war was to secure a reduction of the private demands on industry corresponding to the enormous expansion of the Government's demands.

FIRST DUTY
If the Government did not secure such a reduction, there would be competition between the Government and civilian demands upon the available resources and, therefore, his first duty was to use taxation as an instrument for curtailing civilian expenditure and directing it into the proper channels.

The Chancellor sketched the rough order of the priority of demands, starting with those in connection with the direct prosecution of war.

Next came the need to increase home production of food. And the other demand for which provision must be made was the maintenance of the export trade.

The same point was made by the President of the Board of Trade in an answer before Sir John Simon rose to make his 75-minute statement.

Mr. Oliver Stanley said the Government would use every effort to ensure that the country's exporting capacity was used to the best advantage.

ALL ECONOMIES POSSIBLE

Before he sat down, Sir John Simon gave an assurance that all unnecessary expenditure in British Government Departments would be stringently curtailed, and appealed at the same time for the avoidance of waste in any form by the public.

The Chancellor concluded by a comparison of the financial position and the prospects of Britain and Germany.

He said: This emergency budget will indicate the gravity of the financial and industrial problems involved in waging war, but let us take a few moments of comfort by way of comparison.

GERMAN INFLATION

However serious our problem may be the financial problem which confronts Germany is infinitely greater.

The pound sterling remains, when all is said and done, an accepted medium of international trade. The pound sterling is available for all proper purposes at the official rate of exchange which is published daily.

On the other hand, even before the war, the official rate of the German mark really meant nothing at all. There were 50 different kinds of marks, each showing a different degree of depreciation.

At present, the German mark has no position as an international currency and is likely rapidly to lose its value as an internal currency. The inflationary tendency in Germany is bound to develop further under war conditions. —British Wireless.

DEFENCE COUNCIL FOR BURMA

Rangoon, To-day.
A Defence Council has been formed in Burma to deal with problems other than those in the sphere of the military command.

Chairman of the Council will be the Governor, Sir Archibald Cochrane.—Reuter.

TWO TRADE MISSIONS FOR LONDON

Copenhagen, To-day.
A Danish trade delegation left Oslo yesterday for London to discuss import and export questions.

The delegation flew to Amsterdam, and is continuing from there by sea.—Reuter.

The Hague, To-day.
A Netherlands delegation has been appointed to go to England and discuss questions of neutral shipping and trade.

The delegation will be headed by the director of the commercial treaties department.—Reuter.

TRADE UNIONS AND WAR

London, To-day.
The General Council of the Trade Union Congress has been considering the question of trade union relations with the Ministry of Supply and a number of other emergency matters.

The Council has decided to ask the Prime Minister to receive a deputation to discuss these questions.

The Council has received an invitation to meet the Minister of Labour together with representatives of organised employers for a joint discussion next week in regard to the setting up of a National Advisory Board as suggested in the scheme proposed by the General Council.—Reuter.

OFF THE RECORD



By Ed Reed

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WARSAW SURRENDERS TO NAZI TERROR AFTER 22 DAYS: WHOLE CITY IN RUINS

LONDON, To-day.
AFTER 22 DAYS OF HEROIC defence against hopeless odds, Warsaw has surrendered to the German army.

News of the surrender was conveyed in a radio broadcast from the battered Polish capital and received in London at 6 o'clock last evening. The message said the defenders had accepted the inevitable as the defence could no longer be maintained with the whole city in ruins.

An armistice is now in progress, and the final terms of surrender are being discussed by representatives of the Polish and German armies. The terms will be honourable ones, says Warsaw.

The message announcing the surrender said that the water and electricity supplies had been destroyed, and all public utilities put out of action.

The defenders were running short of ammunition, and no early help could be expected from the Allies.

RESISTANCE USELESS

The military authorities, therefore, had come to the conclusion that further resistance was useless, as it would bring with it pestilence and disease.

History would record that no city had ever been more gallantly defended or more ruthlessly attacked.

One of the last messages sent out by the defenders was one addressed to the town of Verdun, where the French put up such a heroic resistance to the Germans in the Great War.

The message thanked the Mayor of Verdun for a message of encouragement and admiration he had sent to the Lord Mayor of Warsaw.—Reuter.

POLISH PLIGHT

PARIS, To-day. A proposal by the Polish commander for a 24 hours' armistice was announced in an official communiqué received here from the military commander of Warsaw.

The communiqué states that the proposal was made owing to the desperate situation and tremendous damage and combined lack of water and fear of epidemics.

The capital has been completely destroyed and is still the subject of unceasing artillery fire.

Water cisterns and filters have been destroyed and it is very difficult to give aid to civilians owing to constant bombardments.

All monuments and every single church lies in ruins.

13 PLANES BROUGHT DOWN

The state of the civilians and the town, forces the Polish commander to consider future decisions which will help to avoid new losses to the Polish population.

No reply has yet been received to the proposal.

The communiqué earlier mentioned that 18 German planes were brought down yesterday, increasing the number of planes shot down in the region of Warsaw to 106.—Reuter.

LAST HOSPITAL WRECKED

LONDON, To-day. A message received in London yesterday afternoon from Radio Warsaw said the Polish capital is now a destroyed inferno upon earth.

The water supply had been destroyed and an epidemic was feared.

The food situation was tragic and the last hospital had been wrecked. Three thousand civilians were killed in the last 24 hours.

German planes were still dropping incendiary bombs, and the number of fires was increasing.—Reuter.

CAPITULATION CLAIM

BERLIN, To-day. A statement issued by the High Command claims that Warsaw capitulated unconditionally.

It says the town will probably be handed over to-morrow.—Reuter.

ARMISTICE IN FORCE

WARSAW, To-day. Latest reports state that an armistice has been in force since noon yesterday and that the conditions for capitulation of the city are being discussed.—Reuter.

NAZI CLAIMS

LONDON, To-day. The German announcement that Warsaw was ready to surrender was based on the claim that German troops had captured the first line of forts north of Warsaw and the second line south of the Polish capital.

The Nazis also claim that the Polish 41st Division and a cavalry brigade were caught between the German and Soviet forces and taken prisoner.—Reuter.

CHANGSHA OFFENSIVE

SHANGHAI, To-day. Reports received here late last night state that sharp skirmishes are occurring on the shores of the Tungting Lake.

An attempt to break through the Chinese positions along the Hankow-Canton Line north of Changsha yesterday was repulsed.

An important military conference was held in Changsha yesterday. Discussions concerning the re-newed Japanese drive towards Changsha took place.—Our Own Correspondent.

JAPANESE THROWN BACK

CHANGSHA, To-day. The Japanese vanguard who crossed the Mi River on September 25 are reported to have been thrown back for a considerable distance and have suffered heavily as a result of Chinese counter-attacks.

The Japanese at Yingtien have also been subjected to severe counter-attacks. Ten Japanese transports have arrived with reinforcements and supplies.

Japanese planes heavily bombed Hukshih, south-east of Milo.—Central News.

U.S. SHIP TO LISBON

WASHINGTON, To-day. The United States has decided to send a warship to Lisbon.

Reason is that Lisbon is the terminus of the Pan-American Clippers' trans-Atlantic service.

It is also possible that Lisbon may be made a port of call for American merchant ships en route to European ports.—Reuter.

HANGED IN HUT

The body of a 26-year-old married woman, Mak Luk, was removed to the Kowloon Mortuary yesterday afternoon. The woman had hanged herself in a hut in Tai Ku Ling Village, Kowloon City.

SHARP ADVANCE OF STERLING.

NEW YORK, To-day. Sterling made a remarkable advance from the previous day's level of 4.00-1/2 to close it at yesterday's high, 4.02-1/4.

The rise was influenced by shorts covering the small local trade demand and a progressive decrease in the supply which has been a major factor in the recent recovery.

Improvement coincided with the introduction of the British budget, with traders pointing out the fact that war costs would be met largely by increased taxation and the £500,000,000 war credit recently voted would last until March.

Meanwhile, there is some conjecture whether British might not be selling for dollars some substantial deposits in foreign exchange and currency which have been received through Britons turning them in at British banks in response to the statement by Sir John Simon.—Reuter.

HANKOW ROAD AFFAIR

PRIVATE CYRIL JAMES KENNELLY, 24, of the Middlesex Regiment, was this morning placed on a \$20 bond to keep the peace and be of good behaviour for one year by Mr. E. Hinsworth when charged with assaulting Wong Kai-yu.

Accused was alleged to have, with three other privates, assaulted Wong outside the Star Theatre shortly after midnight on September 4. Accused pressed Wong against the wall and the rest, it was alleged, searched him. During the struggle Wong lost a watch.

Sub-Inspector Cunningham, prosecuting, said that Wong, a clerk employed at the Central Bank of China, was walking in Hankow Road at 12.30 a.m. towards his home when he was attacked by five or six Europeans. They did not take anything from him, but the watch was lost during struggle.

Accused was also ordered to pay \$15 compensation to Wong.

COOLER WEATHER

Markedly cooler weather continues. Yesterday's maximum temperature was 79 degrees, and to-day at 10 a.m. the thermometer showed only 75 degrees.

The Observatory report states that a moderate anti-cyclone covers the Upper Yangtze Valley and pressure is high over Central Japan. A depression is centred over the Yellow Sea and a line of discontinuity extends from it to the northern Loosoo Islands.

A depression appears to be forming in the China Sea to the East of the Paracels.

BOY BITTEN BY DOG

Seven-year-old Terence Duncan was bitten by a dog yesterday afternoon while playing with friends outside the Arlington Hotel.

The dog belonged to Mrs. Innes who was passing by in the neighbourhood with Mrs. G.E.R. Divett.

The lad was treated at the Kowloon Hospital and the dog was sent to Mataukok for observation.

DANISH STEAMER SET FREE

COPENHAGEN, To-day. A Danish coastal steamer bound for Copenhagen was stopped and searched by a German torpedo-boat just outside Danish waters yesterday.

After a search lasting one and a half hours the vessel was released.—Reuter.

AMERICAN FLIES OVER SIEGFRIED LINE

NEW YORK, To-day. An American newspaper correspondent, describing how he was shown over the Siegfried Line, says there is no doubt that the German system of fortifications is very strong.

The surface defences consist of barbed-wire, tank traps and pill-boxes.

The underground defences are built into the hillside and are very heavily protected.

Hidden by shrubs and trees, not a sign of them can be seen from the air.

The correspondent says that the underground corridors are protected by machine-guns at each end. When he asked about this, he was told they were for use if the enemy broke into the Line.—Reuter.

HORSE RETURNING IN LONDON

LONDON, To-day. The horse is coming back, and is again to be seen in the streets of Central London.

Since the war began, and especially since the rationing of petrol last week, the roar of London's traffic has become fainter.

Now the Minister of Transport says there is room for horses again in London.

Horses, bicycles and traps are being bought in large number by people who are just beginning to realize that they can get about without a motor-car.—Reuter.

HONAN MINE SABOTAGE

LOYANG, To-day. The machinery at Tsiaotsuo coal mines, east of Po Ai, in north Honan, has been completely wrecked by miners.

The mines were recently bought over by the Japanese from British interests.

The miners the other day started sabotage work with the assistance of Chinese guerillas.

A fight with Japanese guards ensued. All the machines there were blown up with dynamite.—Central News.

SNATCHING CASE

Mrs. T. G. Fraser had her handbag snatched at 8.30 p.m. yesterday while she was walking outside the Chan Lodge, Kowloon. An 18-year-old youth, Wu Kai, was later arrested by the Police in connection with the snatching.

The bag was recovered.

H.R. KNICKERBOCKER THROWS BACK CHALLENGE INTO TEETH OF GOEBBELS

Paris, To-day.

"HERE IS THE ANSWER to Goebbels' challenge," declares Mr. H. R. Knickerbocker, the American journalist, in a signed article in "Paris Soir," giving in amazing meticulous detail an account of the Nazi leaders' alleged foreign investments totalling £34,000,000.

The article closely identifies numerous agents with the amounts they are said to have negotiated and the destinations and denominations of the deposits.

Mr. Knickerbocker says that Goebbels employed three agents:

Firstly, William Achterberg, representative of the Nazi publishing house of Franz Eher Verlag, who deposited \$1,850,000 in the safes of a German importing firm in Buenos Aires;

Secondly, Thomas Bucher, member of Goebbels' propaganda staff, who, with the help of the Kreisbank Company, deposited bearer shares to the value of 2,480,000 Belgas in Luxembourg;

Thirdly, Paul von Boddeheim, banking agent, who deposited at the Osaka branch of Nippon Ginko Japanese currency and bills payable at sight valued at £465,000 sterling.

GIVING DETAILS

Mr. Knickerbocker details insurances on Goebbels' and his wife's lives contracted through Dortmund Union Brauerel firm in florins, dollars, belgas, Swiss francs and German marks.

Mr. Knickerbocker similarly outlines other Nazi leaders' alleged investments, beginning with Ribbentrop, whose three agents, he says, include Eylau, nephew of Heinkel, the latter being a champagne manufacturer and Goebbel's father-in-law.

These three, he asserts, deposited sums equivalent to \$165,000 in Dutch and Swiss banks.

RIBBENTROP

Unlike other leaders, Ribbentrop deposited none of his money in French francs and Mr. Knickerbocker remarks that Ribbentrop always held out to Hitler the ideal that a separate peace with France was possible.

Ribbentrop's insurance policies, which are set forth in detail, were taken by friends in the wine trade, the writer asserts.

Goering's alleged clandestine investments through four named agents are then set forth, including a list of specified United States securities.

LEY UNLUCKY

Mr. Knickerbocker asserts that Ley was unlucky, for one of his agents, named Richter, was implicated in a

SOVIET PLANES OVER ESTHONIA

Tallinn, To-day.

The Estonian news agency says that Soviet military planes flew over Estonian territory on several occasions on Tuesday and yesterday.

Estonia has protested to Russia. The Estonian Government has issued a categorical denial that the Polish submarine which escaped from Tallinn was refuelled by the Estonian authorities.—Reuter.

fraud scandal and interned in Dachau, but through two other agents Ley was able to export \$50,000 to \$60,000 monthly during the six months preceding the war, the majority of it to South America.

HIMMLER'S TACTICS

Dealing with Himmler, Mr. Knickerbocker says that the Gestapo chief avoids banks but has placed about \$2,000,000 in the hands of German friends in South America, the Near East and Finland.

Mr. Knickerbocker acknowledges his indebtedness for the information to a group of experts whose privileged position in the banking and financial world enabled them, he states, to obtain precise details which are inaccessible to others.

"They were not intended to be used in peace time, but are now published at the request of Goebbels, who announced that I had fled and was unable to reply.

"Goebbels' agents saw me board the ship at Southampton last Saturday but did not see me land."—Reuter.

RUSSIAN STEAMER TORPEDOED

London, To-day.

A 4,000-ton Russian steamer was torpedoed by an unknown submarine last evening.

Nineteen of the crew of 24 have been saved by Soviet patrol ships.—Reuter.

Moscow, To-day. According to the Tass Agency, the lost Soviet steamer was the Matallish, which was attacked and sunk by a submarine in Narva Bay off Estonia.—Reuter.

DOCTOR VICTIMISED

Five robbers, armed with daggers, ransacked the residence of Dr. Li Fung-leung, at No. 8, Wan Chai Road, first floor, about 10.45 a.m. to-day.

The robbers escaped with \$280 in Hong Kong currency, \$210 in Chinese money, and a gold finger ring, valued at \$20.

No arrests have yet been made.

LONDON-PARIS AIR SERVICES

London, To-day. It is announced that the resumption of a regular commercial air service between Britain and France is at present under consideration.—British Wireless.

BRITISH SEIZURES BY CONTROL

London, To-day.

Over 70,000 tons of goods were intercepted and detained by the British Contraband Control during the week ended September 26th.

These figures include 23,150 tons of iron ore, 14,200 tons of petroleum products, 7,200 tons of manganese ore, 7,800 tons of oilseeds, 6,000 tons of bauxite, 2,800 tons of fodder, 2,100 tons of miscellaneous foodstuffs, 1,300 tons of fibres, 1,300 tons of oils and fats, 1,000 tons of cereals, 500 tons of rubber and a number of consignments of chemicals, cotton, wool, gums and resins, timber, hides and skins and fertilisers.

The goods in question were detained on the ground that there was evidence that they were contraband, consigned to Germany.—British Wireless.

NEW TURKISH ENVOY SEES HITLER

London, To-day. The new Turkish Ambassador to Germany presented his credentials to Hitler in Berlin yesterday.—Reuter.

LATEST FROM THE FRONT

Somewhere in France.
Dear Mother,—I am sending you a lovely little souvenir. It is one of Goering's medals which they are using for money here.
Your Soldier Boy.

BREMEN WENT INTO THE ARCTIC

London, To-day.

In reference to Mr. Winston Churchill's statement that the German liner "Bremen" was in a Russian port, it is rumoured that the giant trans-Atlantic liner is at Murmansk.

Just before the outbreak of war, the "Bremen" left New York for an unknown destination, and rumours have been prevalent ever since about her fate.

Various theories have been advanced for the method of her escape, one of which that she changed her flag and so was rendered immune.

In the House of Commons yesterday, Mr. Churchill was asked if it was possible for an enemy vessel to change her nationality on the high seas.

Mr. Churchill did not answer.—Reuter.



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OPINION****CHINA AND PEACE**

Sino-Japanese peace, we still believe, is a thing which is to be fervently desired. But with peace, China must also have a permanent and equitable settlement of her problems with Japan. Evidently such a settlement cannot be obtained by any make-shift arrangement wherein the sole emphasis is placed on peace—peace at any price.

Furthermore, there is no valid reason why China, having already fought for more than two years, should hastily rush into peace at this time when there is still no clear-cut indication of how the general world situation may develop.

It is generally conceded that as a result of the drastic changes in the international line-up, the general diplomatic situation is probably least favourable as far as China is concerned at the moment. If China should offer peace at this moment, therefore, the best she can do is to offer it at a cut-rate price. Common sense evidently would counsel China to hold on and not to sell either herself or peace short.

Peace, as Father Divine believes, is indeed wonderful, but when it comes it must be worth the heavy price which China has gallantly paid.—"China Press."

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AMERICAN SENTIMENT

American sentiment is far stronger in support of the democracies than the dictatorships, but there has not yet been the development of a moving sentiment in favour of anything except proceeding on the theory that America's place as to Europe's war—Asia's war too for that matter—is as far from it as possible. Sentiment can be changed and in fact will be changed if developments are such as to demand it. Reaction to the Roosevelt proposals on neutrality will be determined largely by the convictions, present and future, as to whether the President is trying to manoeuvre sentiment to the position of supporting U.S. entry into the war.

If the public will stop being blinded by prejudices and guided by impractical dreaming, the people—regardless of party affiliations and personal feelings—will see that the Roosevelt proposals will render the American position more practical as to neutrality and thereby tend to prevent the creation of a state of affairs dragging the United States into the war. The theory behind the Roosevelt proposals is that if the United States faces facts and meets realities the necessity of entering war may be avoided, but that frantic running away may very likely result in blundering into that from which we are trying to flee.

That is a practical theory based on cold fact.—"Manila Bulletin."

trial troubles among other interested States, he is fairly sure of the victim's isolation, agitation stirred from Berlin among some section of the doomed nation is brought to a head, German papers are filled with talk of atrocities committed against Hitler's supporters there. He makes his demands, and the leader of the small State is eventually invited to discuss them with him.

The discussion becomes a "third degree" test—the guest has placed before him the alternative to which the people of his country will be subjected within a few hours if Hitler's demands are not agreed to. The sky will be black with unimpeded German bombers, the capital and industrial centres will be smoking ruins. To avoid exposing his country to this fate the wretched man submits, orders his small army not to oppose the invader, and his police and people to avoid hostile demonstrations. Another independent State is swallowed by the bully, another free people suppressed, another "glory" decorates the Fascist banner.

The peaceful Powers condoned, and some even welcomed, Hitler's reassertion of the German people's claims until, by the flagrant breach of his word, given in the hour of most solemn agreement, he made it clear that this method of resort to force was to be repeated. It was then, and not till then, that the peaceable nations determined that to allow free nations to be extinguished one by one until your own turn came was simple folly. The obvious and only protection was to unite with such other nations as cherished their independence and could be induced to act together in saying that, whatever may be the Fascist claims on other nations, they shall be settled by methods of law and reason, and not by force.

SHATTERING

Twice only in my life can I remember newspaper surprises so shattering as the announcement of the Hitler-Soviet Pact.

One was the news that Japan and Britain had become allies. That occurred in 1902. The other you can guess perhaps—the story of Edward VIII. and Mrs. Simpson, less than three years back.

Both of these surprises set everyone talking and wondering. Neither caused the same gloomy bewilderment as that of last Tuesday.

Hardly anyone seemed to realise that the Soviet Government, like every other, puts its own interests first. Having failed to induce Chamberlain to form a Peace Front, and having decided that in any case he was not to be trusted on an alternative arrangement—what is called in business "reinsurance."

My chief feeling when I read that Russian and German rulers, after abusing one another so fiercely, had agreed not to come to blows, was one of amusement. When I told this to a friend, who had asked me what I thought about it, he reproached me for triviality.

"Well," I replied, "this isn't likely to make business worse, and may make it a lot better. As for me, if I didn't treat life as a joke, I shouldn't bats."—Hamilton Fyle in "Reynolds."

HITLER TECHNIQUE

We are now familiar with Hitler's technique. The smaller European nations whose territory must, in his view, be acquired if the German people is to play the role which his mystic imagination envisages for it, are threatened one by one. At some moment when, by reason of political or indus-

BRITAIN'S WAR BUDGET

PENNY A PINT ON BEER: INCOME TAX JUMP TO 7/6: EXCESS PROFITS TAX

LONDON, TO-DAY.

THE CHANCELLOR OF THE EXCHEQUER, SIR JOHN SIMON, INTRODUCED HIS FIRST WARTIME BUDGET IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS YESTERDAY AFTERNOON.

Sir John announced all-round increases in direct and indirect taxes, the main points being:

Income tax is increased to 7/6d. in the Pound for the full year next year, but the rate will be 7/- for taxes payable at the end of the present financial year on March 31.

The new income tax rate is the highest since the tax was introduced in the year 1798. At the end of the Great War it was 6/-.

Sir John Simon announced reductions in allowances, and increases in the surtax and death duties.

There is to be another 1/3d. on whisky, the price per bottle to be 13/9 as compared with 12/6d.

Beer will be a penny dearer per pint, and there will be corresponding increases in wines of from 2/- to 4/- a bottle.

The tax on tobacco is to be raised by 1½d an ounce, and there will be an extra penny a pound on sugar. There was a need to avoid inflation, the Chancellor stated.

We should also increase food production from our own soil and promote our export trade.

Sir John also announced an excess profits tax of 60 per cent, on any increase in profits since the end of March. It would apply to the whole field of trade and industry.—Reuter.

At the outset, Sir John said that when he introduced the Budget at the end of April, he estimated the expenditure of the year would amount to £1,322,000,000.

The defence expenditure included in that vast total was, at that time, stated as £630,000,000.

The budget proposals were calculated to raise from revenue £942,000,000 and consequently at that time £380,000,000 was left to be borrowed within the financial year.

AUGUST POSITION

Before the finance act was passed the figures in this year's expenditure of defence had grown to a total of £730,000,000 and the amount to be borrowed at that time came to something like £480,000,000.

Total expenditure when Parliament rose in August was £1,453,000,000 of which £502,000,000 was to be borrowed.

These totals vast as they were, were arrived at on the basis that we remained at peace throughout the year!

On September 3 we went to war and the vote of a credit of an additional £500,000,000 was promptly adopted.

NO GUARANTEE

Sir John Simon said that he could not guarantee that this first vote of credit would be sufficient to cover all the requirements up to March 31 next.

The need for a further budget as promptly as possible was self-evident as we should be facing in this financial year a total outlay of nearly £2,000,000,000.

The great war in which this country was engaged set for us a special economic problem and if this is not properly faced and not boldly handled then our power to carry on the war to a victorious conclusion would be gravely weakened.

Finance was sometimes said to be the fourth arm of defence. If finance failed then the prop which sustained the whole war effort collapsed.

TWO OBVIOUS WAYS

There were two obvious ways to make the best use of our productive sources—taxation and borrowing—and doubtless we should have to recourse to both.

Announcing further modifications in estate duty Sir John said:

"I now propose that in relation to deaths taking place after to-day (A voice: There will be a lot) (loud laughter) the duty on estates exceeding £10,000 but not exceeding £50,000 shall be increased by 10 per cent."

Sir John indicated that for estates over £50,000 the increase would be 25 per cent, the yield from these increases being estimated at £6,000,000 in a full year. In addition, Sir John proposed increases to all taxes on alcoholic liquor to take effect as from to-day.

There will be an addition of a penny a pint on beer and this is estimated to produce £11,000,000 this year and £27,000,000 in a full year.

Spirits, with added duty, would cost 13 shillings and 9 pence a bottle and this is estimated to produce three and a half millions in a full year.

There will be further additions on light wines.

E.P.D. 60 PER CENT.

Other increases include a penny a pound on fully refined sugar, two shillings a pound increase on tobacco, a 60 per cent. excess profit tax modelled on armaments profits, and duty applied over the whole field of trade and industry.

Referring to the increase of capital wealth of individuals during the war, Sir John said the capital levy was being studied but it was not practicable to apply one during the war.

The new proposals would produce £107,000,000 this year, and over £226,000,000 in a full year.

Sir John said it must not be assumed that these enormous figures were proof that there had been prodigious squandering and waste.

ELABORATE MACHINES

Truth was that increasing complications and elaborations of machines of war and the mechanisation which accompanied the development of military force, had also greatly increased this cost.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer gave an instance of the cost of modern aircraft, which he said was from three to seven times that of comparable types in 1918.

Sir John added that by agreement with defence minister qualified and experienced businessmen had been recruited in order to see that the proposals for new expenditure were framed with strict regard to the necessity of finance.—Reuter.

He ended by declaring: "If the price of victory be high, it is a price worth paying. It is the price of our liberty and all that makes life worth living in Europe and for ourselves."—British Wireless.

DISSOLVING FRENCH COMMUNIST PARTY

Paris, To-day.

The entire French press approves of the decree dissolving the Communist Party in France, except M. Leon Blum, the former Socialist Premier, writing in "Le Populaire."

The Communist press no longer exists in France.—Reuter.



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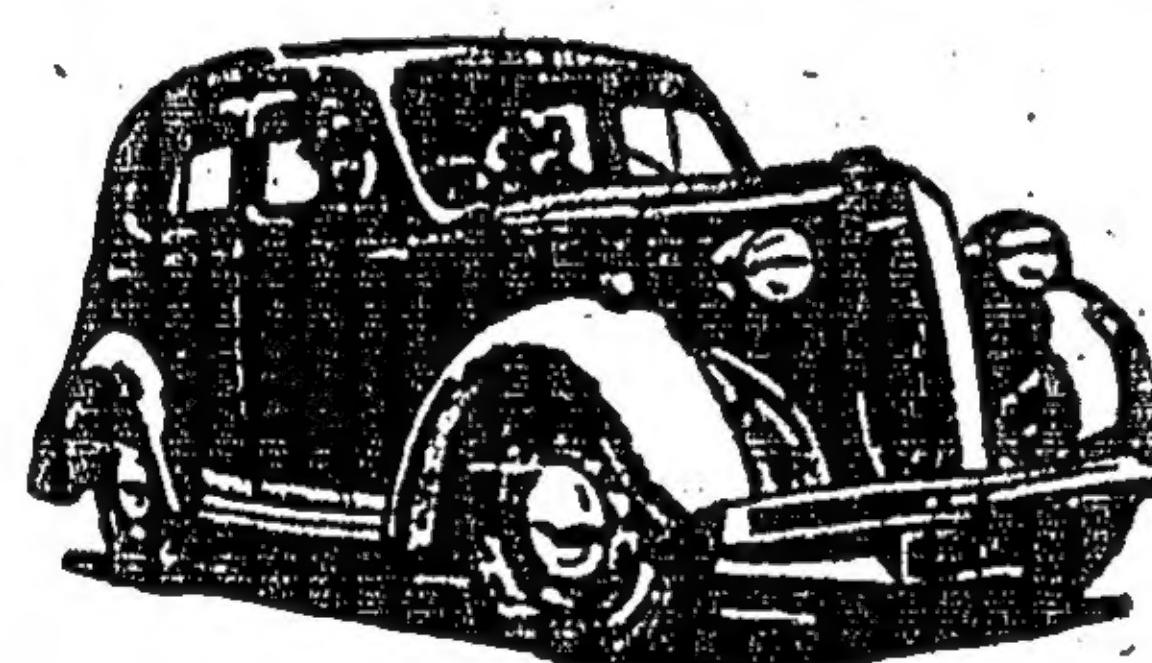
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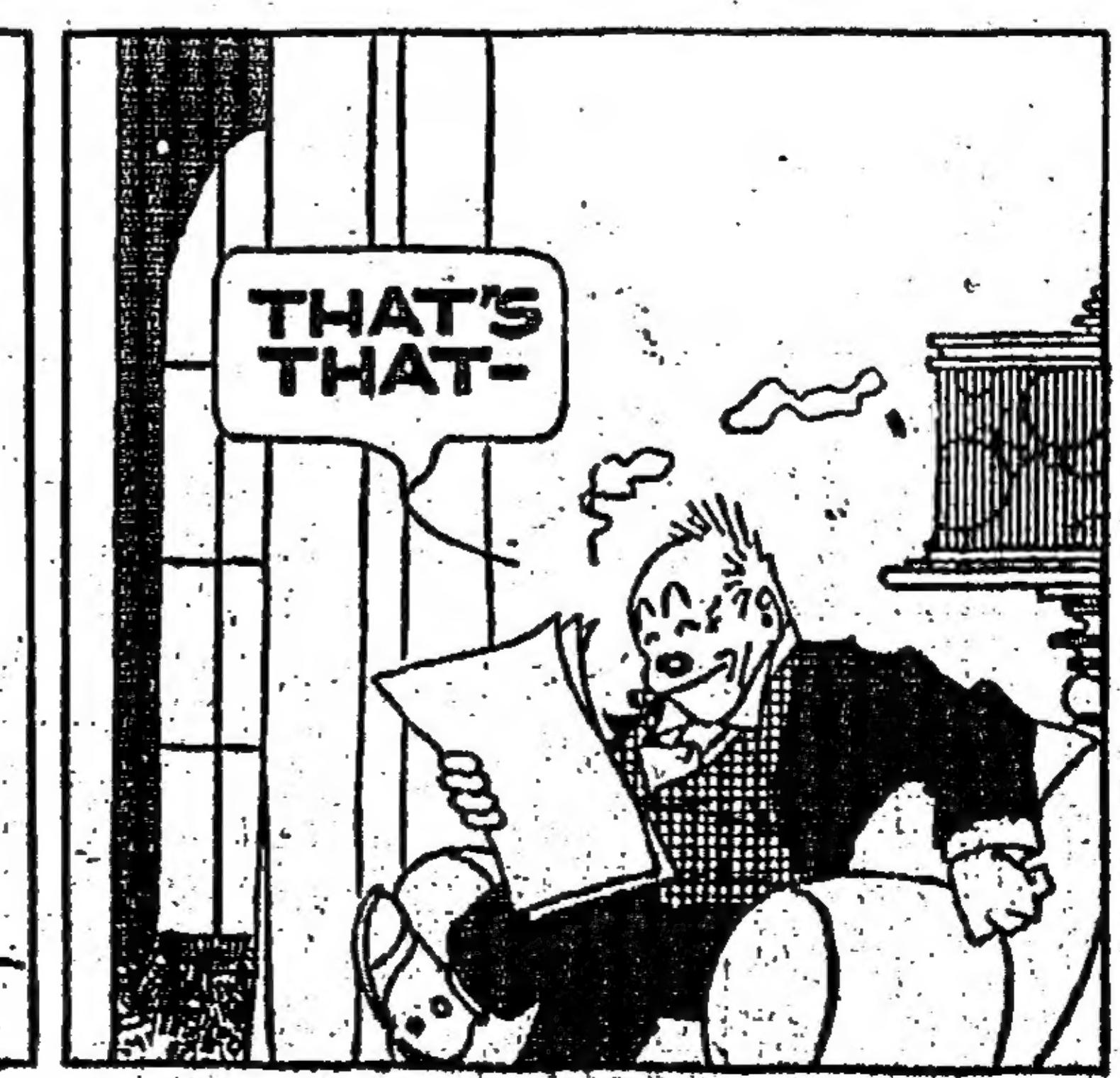
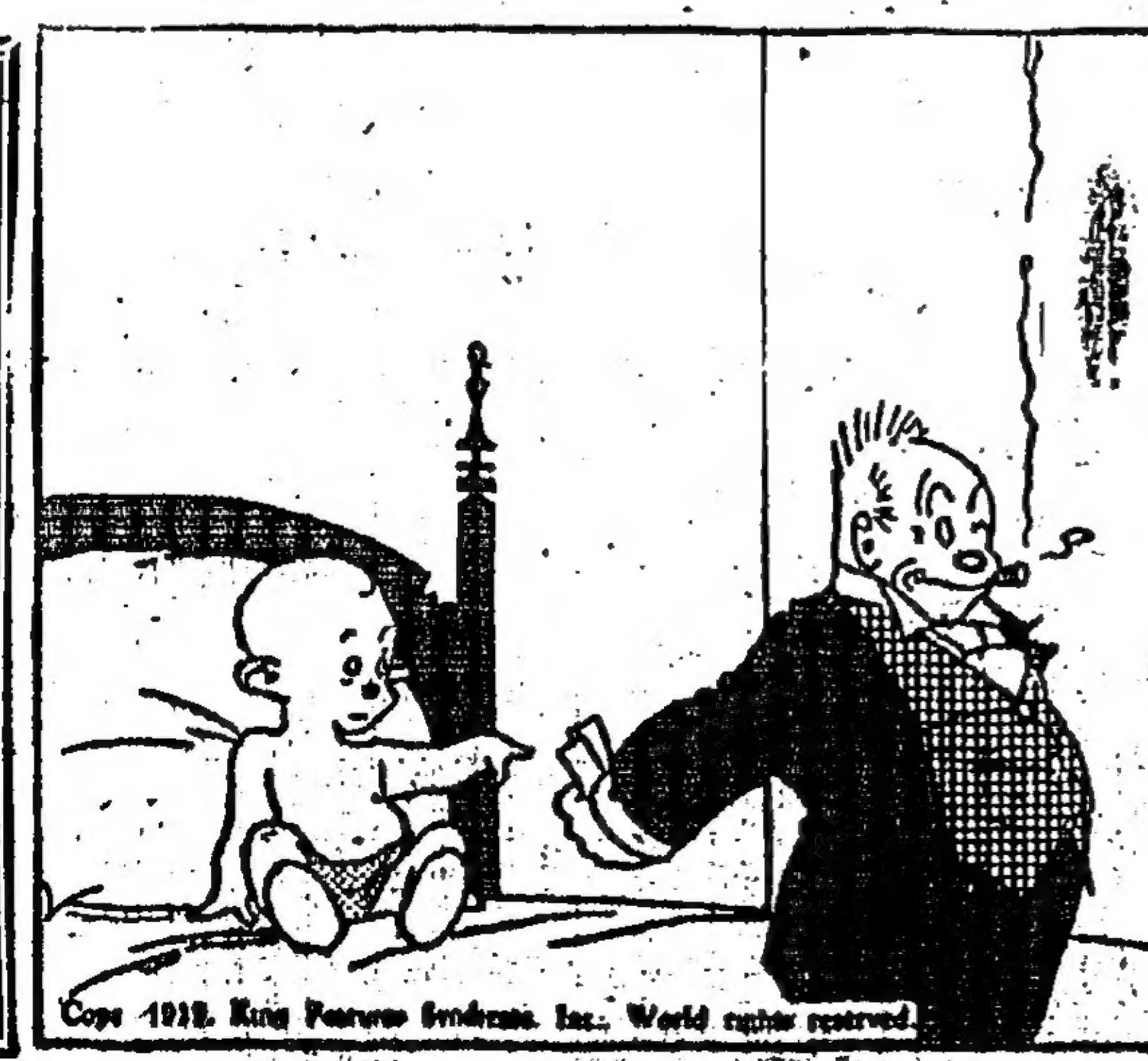
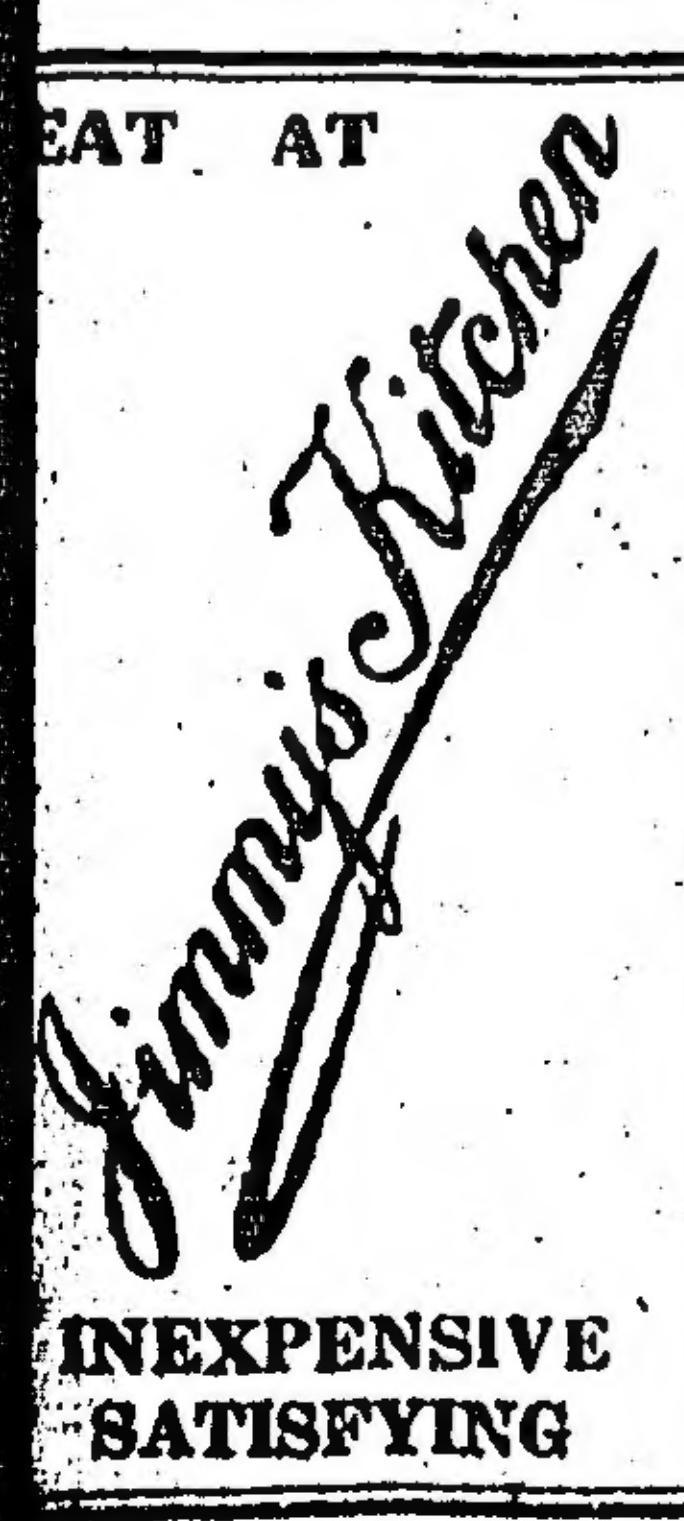


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BRITAIN'S COLOSSAL WAR BUDGET

LONDON, To-day. SIR JOHN SIMON'S drastic budget affecting rich and poor alike has caused a tremendous impression throughout Britain.

It is regarded as the best possible proof of the country's determination to carry out a supreme war effort.

The budget as a whole, writes Reuter's city editor, represents undoubtedly the heaviest burden ever undertaken by any free nation in history.

The budget proposes to raise about 51 per cent. of the expenditure by taxation, which is almost double the Great War's proportion, which for instance, in 1915 and 1916 was 22 per cent.

AVOIDING INFLATION

The budget's crux, was Sir John's statement that financing other than by taxation or loans from genuine savings must be inflation, which Britain intends to make unprecedented financial efforts to avoid.

Although the Chancellor has obviously striven to mitigate the severity of the budget during the initial stages, his main objective has been to provide machinery to wring the last penny out of the country's staying power during the war, for three years or more if necessary.

NO POLITICS

The budget pays very slight heed to considerations of political popularity as indicated by the taxes on beer, sugar and the great increases in low incomes.—Reuter.

(Full details of the Budget will be found in Page 9.)

H.K. SUGAR PRICE

The Food Controller has issued an Order, published in a "Government Gazette Extraordinary" this morning fixing the price of sugar in the Colony, on a basis of 15 cents per pound for fine granulated, and 16 cents a pound for half cubes with lower prices for quantities. The price of a 10-lb. bag of granulated sugar is fixed at \$1.40. And a 6-lb. carton of cube sugar is fixed at 90 cents.

The order also fixes the maximum prices at which Taikoo syrup, treacle, table candy, coffee candy and coffee crystals may be sold.

THEFT FROM CAR

Mr. R. J. V. Everest, residing at P.W.D. Quarters, has reported the theft of a rattan basket containing clothing valued at \$27, from his car which was parked in Saigon Street, near the Majestic Theatre last night between 9.30 p.m. and 11 p.m.

ROYAL SCEPTRE RESUME NOW TOLD

RIO DE JANEIRO, IT BECAME KNOWN in Rio de Janeiro yesterday that captain and two seamen of the British steamer "Royal Sceptre," torpedoed by a Nazi submarine on September 22, were drowned.

Thirty-two survivors, who were picked up by the British steamer "Browning" have been landed in Brazil. Nine of them are in hospital and are making good progress.

It was revealed yesterday that the "Browning" was stopped in the Bay of Biscay by the Nazi

submarine U-38, while en route to England.—Reuters.

The U-boat commander was unable to give any information as to the rescue of the "Royal Sceptre," which was set adrift.

The "Royal Sceptre," 10,000 tons of wheat from Argentina, was en route to England.—Reuters.



Here is a view along the enormous flight deck of the battleship Rodney, recently attached to the Home Fleet. In the foreground, the HMS Rodney is visible, and in the background, another ship is docked.

BRITAIN'S REVISED ESTIMATE

LONDON. Main figures of the revised estimate, make the revised expenditure current £107,000,000.

The revised estimate, including £107,000,000 for reparation, amounts to £985,000,000. Met by borrowing, of £100,000,000 has already been met from defence.

Effective resolutions have been agreed unanimously by the House of Commons in a general debate opened

OPPOSITION ACCEPTS BURDENS ON NEW BUDGET

London, To-day.

MR. C. R. ATTLEE (Labour Opposition leader) agreed in the debate on the Budget in the House of Commons yesterday with Sir John Simon's financial measures.

Mr. Attlee said it was right to raise as much as possible in taxation at the beginning of the war.

He approved the increase in income tax and the alcohol and tobacco increases, but said there was grave ground for reconsidering the sugar tax increase.

Mr. Attlee gave his blessing to the war profits tax, and said that as the war went on there would have to be more equality in taxation.

Sir Archibald Sinclair (Liberal) said the Chancellor had taken the bull by the horns with a vengeance.

He had called for a great effort at a time when a great effort was needed from the people.—Reuter.

NO PROFITS BEST

Major Attlee, recalled the emergency budget of eight years ago and expressed the opinion that the National Government had brought the country to its present position. He agreed that Sir John Simon was right in endeavouring to raise these large sums by taxation and he thought the income tax increase was right.

On no account should we defer paying for the war to a future occasion or make future generations pay by

borrowing.

He criticised the change in children's allowances on the ground that this was not the time to discourage having children and urged reconsideration of the additional sugar tax.

He welcomed the tax on war profits but thought that the best thing was to have no war profits.

DESERVED SUPPORT

The Liberal leader, Sir Archibald Sinclair, foresaw financial burdens of almost incalculable weight but we were going to face them and Sir John Simon had rendered good service by letting the country face the facts instead of indulging in the muddled wishful thinking which had been prevalent since rearmament began.

While reserving the right to make criticism on certain points later, Sir Archibald felt that the Budget which was conceived on bold lines, deserved their support.

He asked Sir John Simon to consider the appointment of a select committee on national expenditure to check the growth of wasteful expenditure.

Severe as the budget was, it did not bring us even within remote range of the limits of our financial strength or the sacrifices which the people will accept as they become necessary as the means to victory.—Reuter.

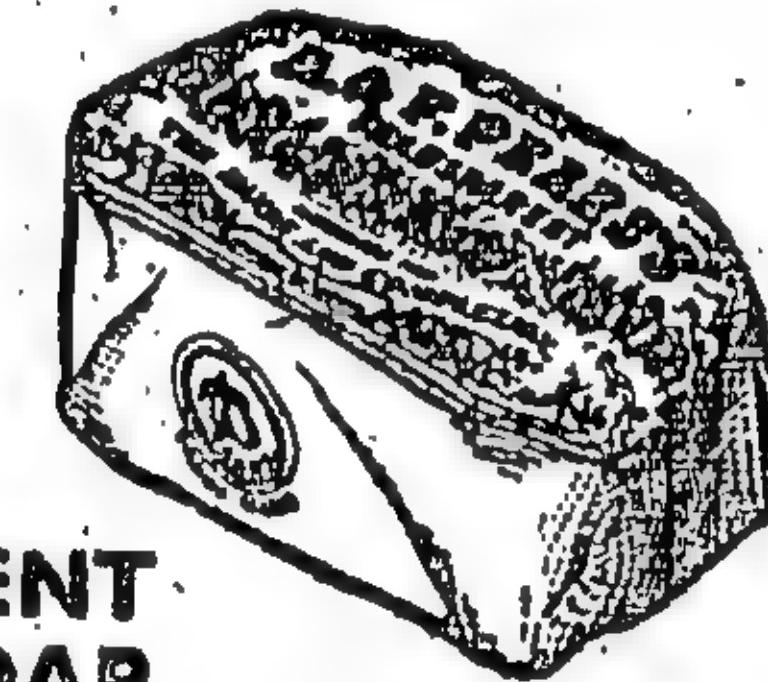
Moscow, To-day.
The Estonian Mission arrived shortly after the German Foreign Minister, von Ribbentrop, headed by M. Selter, the Foreign Minister.—Reuter.

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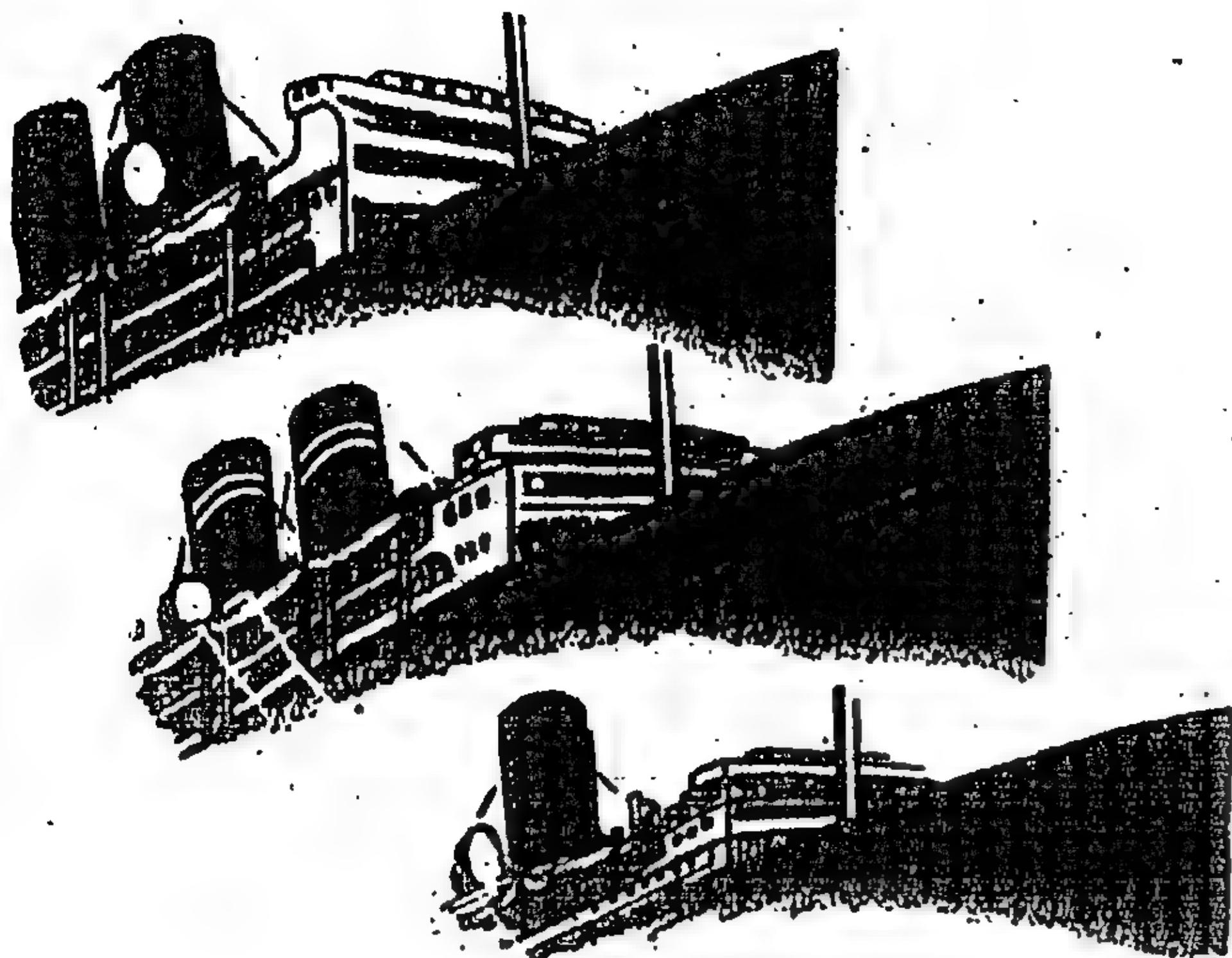
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INWARD MAIRS

Air Mail by "Pan-American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 21st September	September 28.
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Shanghai	September 28.
U.S.A., Honolulu and Japan—(San Francisco date, 2nd Sept.)	September 29.
Shanghai	September 28.
Shanghai	September 29.
Canton	September 29.
Japan	September 29.
Shanghai	September 30.
Straits	September 30.
Straits and Manila	September 30.
Haliphong	September 30.
Japan	September 30.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai—(San Francisco date, 8th September)	September 30.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 24th Sept.	October 1.
Shanghai and Amoy	October 1.
Shanghai	October 2.
Calcutta and Straits	October 2.
Shanghai	October 2.
Straits	October 3.
Japan	October 3.
Japan and Shanghai	October 3.
Australia and Manila	October 3.
Straits	October 3.
Australia and Manila	October 3.
Sandakan	October 4.
Calcutta and Straits	October 4.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai—(San Francisco date, 8th Sept.)	October 4.
Straits	October 4.
Japan	October 4.
Air Mail by "Air France Direct Service"—Paris date, 27th Sept.	Oct. 4.

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For Per Date and Time.

THURSDAY

Haiphong	Thur., Sept. 28, 2.00 p.m.
Formosa	Sept. 28, 3.30 p.m.
Sandakan	Thur., Sept. 28, 3.30 p.m.

FRIDAY

Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu and U.S.A., by the "Pan-American Airways Direct Service"—due San Francisco, 5th October.	K.P.O. Reg. Sept. 28, 5.00 p.m. Ord. Sept. 28, 5.30 p.m.
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G.P.O.

Reg. Sept. 28, 5.00 p.m. Ord. Sept. 29, 7.30 a.m.	
Amoy	Sept. 29, 8.30 a.m.
Tourane	Sept. 29, 9.30 a.m.

Shanghai ((Parcels only))	G.P.O. & K.P.O. Par. Sept. 28, 5.00 p.m. Reg. Sept. 29, 9.15 a.m. Ord. Sept. 29, 10.00 a.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, Canada, U.S.A., Central ad South America, Europe via Vancouver B.C. (Parcels for Canada only)—due Vancouver B.C., 18th October.	Sept. 29, 1.00 p.m.

Haiphong	SATURDAY
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Manila, Rabaul, Australia, and New Zealand via Brisbane—due Brisbane, 17th October.	G.P.O. & K.P.O. Par. Sept. 29, 5.00 p.m. Reg. Sept. 30, 8.45 a.m. Ord. Sept. 30, 9.30 a.m.
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Dairen	Sept. 30, 9.30 a.m.
Saigon	Sept. 30, 10.30 a.m.
Haliphong	Sept. 30, 2.00 p.m.
Shanghai	Sept. 30, 3.30 p.m.

Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due London, 8th October.	G.P.O. & K.P.O. Reg. Sept. 30, 5.00 p.m. Ord. Sept. 30, 5.30 p.m.
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SUNDAY

Haliphong	Oct. 1, 9.00 a.m.
Shanghai	Oct. 1, 9.00 a.m.

MONDAY

Straits and Calcutta	P/P. Oct. 2, 11.00 a.m. Ord. Oct. 2, Noon
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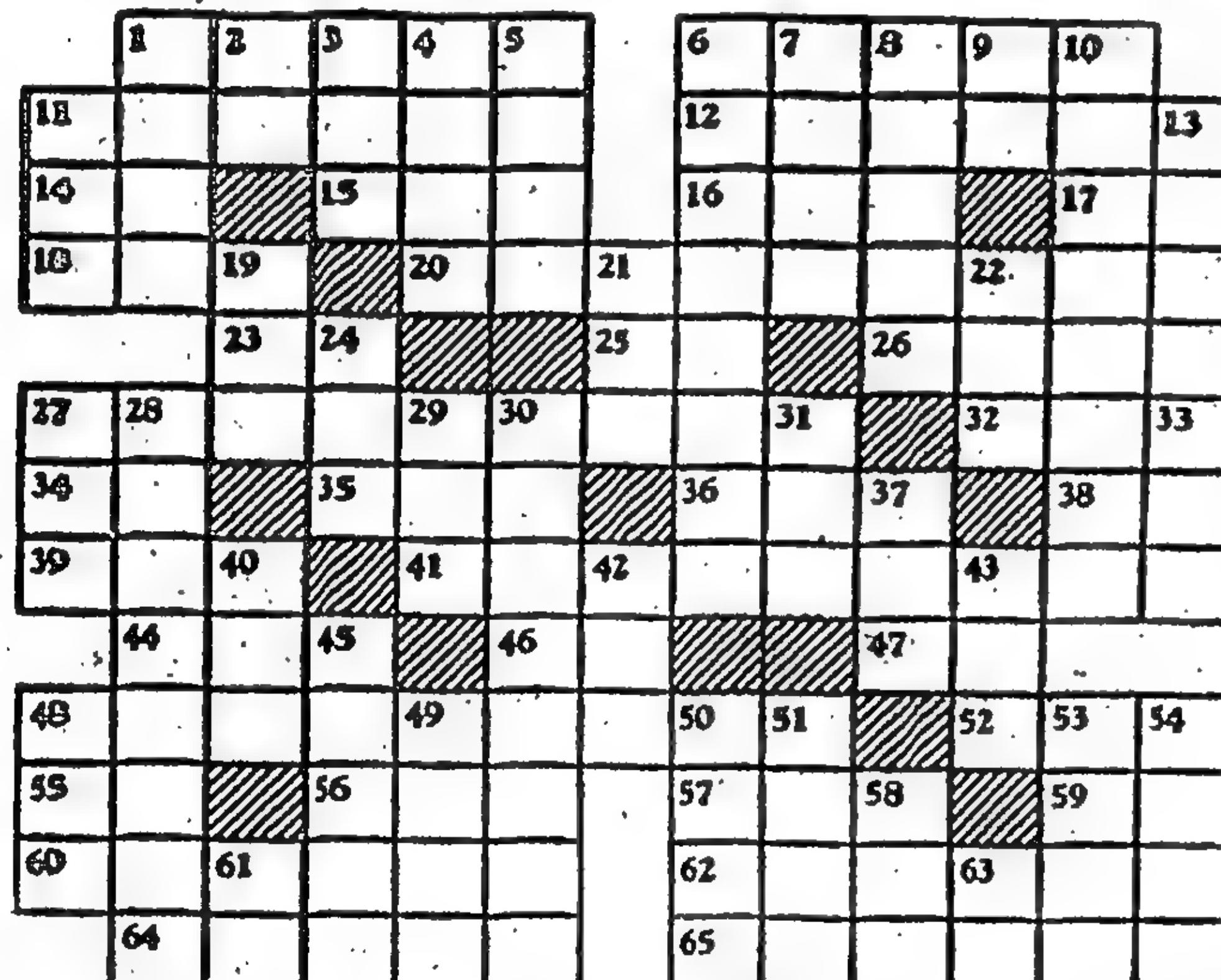
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- 14 Aloft
- 15 Peg
- 16 Greek goddess
- 17 Pronoun
- 18 Soft food
- 20 One who attacks
- 23 Babylonian god
- 25 Preposition
- 26 Grain head
- 27 Disputed
- 32 Peruke
- 34 Conjunction
- 35 Danish division
- 36 To regret
- 38 Cooled lava
- 39 Mold
- 41 Short items
- 44 Age
- 46 French article
- 47 Roman gods
- 48 Beast sculptor or artist

- 52 Blackbird
- 53 Pronoun
- 56 Girl's name
- 57 To haul
- 59 Musical note
- 60 Kind of joint
- 62 Positive poles
- 64 To rent
- 65 Italian city

- VERTICAL
- 1 Colloquial father
- 2 Pronoun
- 3 Fruit seed
- 4 Sea animal
- 5 To pine
- 6 Contracts
- 7 Learning

- 8 Rub out
- 9 Preposition
- 10 Record
- 11 Vessel
- 13 Music: three
- 19 To indite
- 21 Ship channel
- 22 Adage
- 24 Filipino
- 27 Food fish
- 28 Levantine
- 29 Empire (abbr.)
- 30 Radiating
- 31 Piece for two
- 33 Fuel
- 37 Coal
- 40 Silk worm
- 42 Brazil money
- 43 To help
- 45 One-celled animal
- 48 Tune
- 49 The birds
- 50 Deer
- 51 Sound
- 53 Appellation of Athena
- 54 Part of "to be"
- 55 Achieved
- 61 To exist
- 63 To perform

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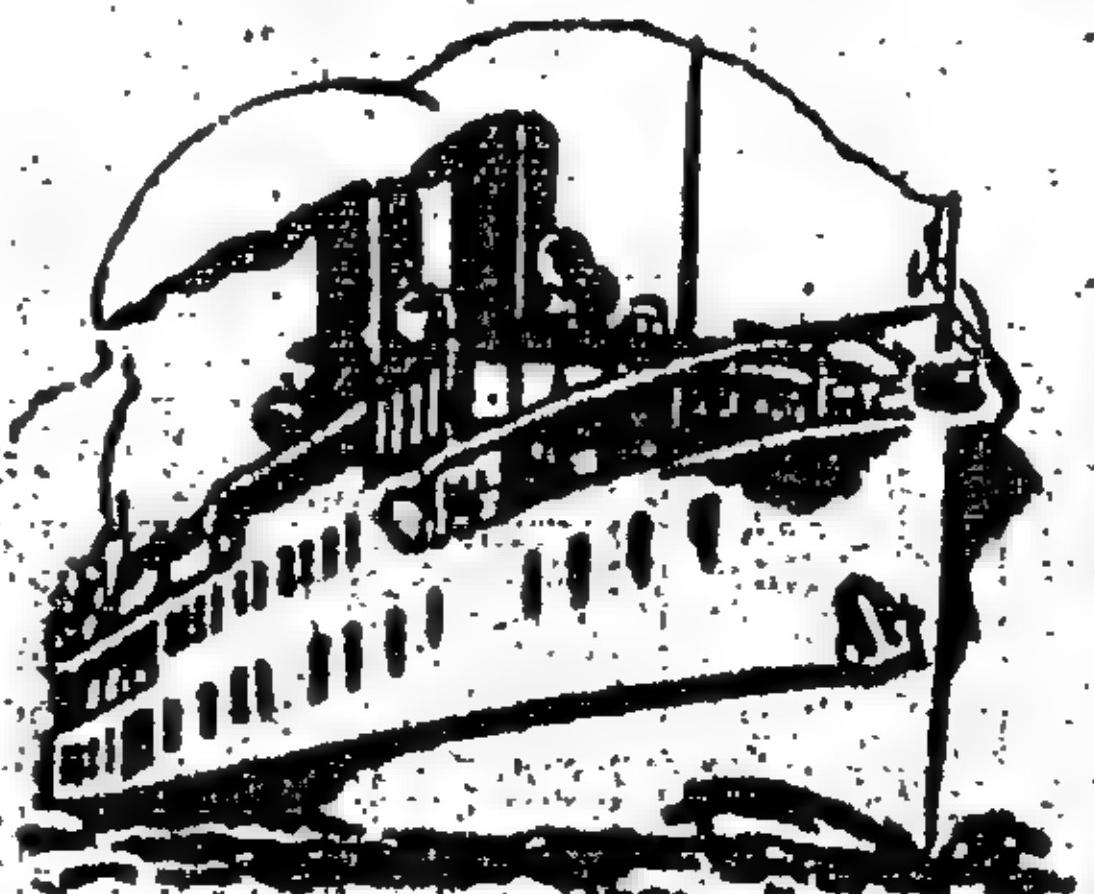
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EXTENDING TERRITORIAL WATERS OF THE AMERICAS

Panama City, To-day.

THE PAN-AMERICAN Conference is discussing the question of how far the territorial waters of the American Continents shall extend.

The Cuban delegate proposed that they should be extended in the Atlantic to half way between America and Africa, and in the Pacific to half way between America and Asia.

All belligerent acts in these areas he proposed, should be declared unlawful and a threat to American security.

This is the only formal suggestion that has as yet been put forward, but another possibility being canvassed is the extension of American waters from 50 to 1,000 miles to include several British and French islands.

Mr. Sumner Welles, who is representing the United States, told the conference that the American nations should patrol the areas decided on,

and that belligerent submarines in these areas or calling at American ports should be interned.—Reuter.

YULIN HEAVILY BOMBED

Yulin, Shensi, To-day. Yulin was subjected to two severe aerial attacks by 12 Japanese planes yesterday.

More than 100 high explosives were rained, devastating a wide area.—Central News.

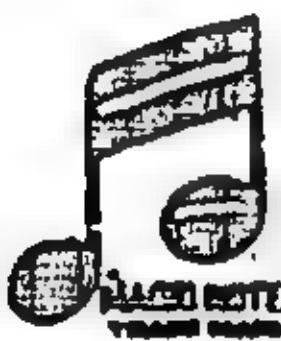
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THAT THE WOMAN, WIFE OF ONE OF THE MAN ACCUSED WAS EMPLOYED TO LURE THE VICTIM INTO A DARK LANE WHERE HE WAS SET UPON AND ROBBED, WAS THE ALLEGATION IN KOWLOON COURT THIS MORNING WHEN TWO MEN AND A WOMAN APPEARED.

The men, Tong Ming-hung, 29, blacksmith; and Chan Nam, 30, shop folk, were charged with impersonating police officers and with theft. The woman, Li Yau, 29, wife of first accused, was charged with theft.

Det.-Sgt. C. Dowman said that Lam Fu-chung, 42, standing outside the Prince's Theatre at 8.30 p.m. on Tuesday, was approached by the woman. She accosted him and asked to go for a walk. She took him along Prince Edward Road, as far as the Railway Bridge, where she wanted him to go into a side lane which was very dark.

Complainant objected and said he wanted to go back. Suddenly first and second accused came along, saying: "We are policemen; search; martial law is in force in this district." They searched him and took \$2.70 from his pocket.

They took away his jacket and ordered him to take off his trousers. He told them that he had no shorts. The men and the woman, after taking the things, ran away. Complainant shouted and a Chinese Police Reservist, R120 Leung Yu Wing, came along and arrested the couple. The second man was later arrested by the same officer.

All accused pleaded not guilty. The first defendant said he saw complainant with his wife and intended to beat him, but the man took off his jacket and ran away shouting, "snatching." The woman corroborated. Second accused said he was walking with his friends, first defendant and his wife, when complainant came along and asked his friend's wife to go for a walk with him. They chased him and he ran away, shouting "snatching."

They were all remanded for 24 hours.

SPEARED CAKES THROUGH A WINDOW

Li Kong, 22, street coolie, was sentenced to two months' hard labour by Mr. R. A. D. Forrest this morning, for stealing moon cakes.

Inspector A. V. Baker said defendant was seen spearing the cakes through an open window with a bamboo stick about 3 a.m. this morning.

Defendant said he was very hungry. He had three previous convictions.

MARTIAL LAW IN POLAND

Berlin, To-day. Hitler has ordered martial law in the German-occupied territories in Poland according to the official news agency, and placed General von Rundstedt in charge of military administration.

Dr. Frank, Minister without portfolio, is to head the civil administration.—Reuter.

LOCAL DOLLAR

The demand rate on the Hong Kong dollar to-day was 1/2-13/16.

London Silver was quoted yesterday at 23-1/2 for Spot and 23-1/2 for forward.

The London on New York cross rate was quoted at £—U.S.\$4.02. The New York on London rate was £—U.S.\$4.00-3/4.

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BRITISH LIAISON IN DUBLIN

London, To-day.

Britain is to have a special representative in Dublin in view of the special questions raised by the war in connection with trade and mutual relations.

This was announced in the House of Commons and the Dail yesterday.

First British representative in Dublin will be Sir John Maffey.—Reuter.

London, To-day.

Mr. Anthony Eden has announced that Sir John Maffey has been appointed United Kingdom representative in Eire in order to maintain closer touch between the British and Eire Governments in view of the war situation.—Reuter.

The appointment is a natural development of similar appointments during the last ten years in Canada, Australia, New Zealand and South Africa.

Satisfaction is felt in London at the agreement reached with the Eire Government on this appointment.

After experience on the North-west Frontier and in India, Sir John Maffey was appointed Governor-General of the Sudan in 1926 and in 1933 became Permanent Under-Secretary at the Colonial Office, on retirement from which, he joined the Boards of Imperial Airways and the Rio Tinto Company.—British Wireless.

CLOSER CO-OPERATION

Moving the adjournment of the Dail, Mr. de Valera said that although the country was not at war, the position of the community was going to be serious.

Defending the mobilization of the Army, Mr. de Valera said that it was going to prove expensive but was a necessary measure to maintain their neutrality.

Regarding supplies, they would have to arrange much closer co-operation with the British Government.—Reuter.

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SPECIAL ORDER

All A.R.P. Personnel are to be congratulated on the success of the exercise which was largely due to the efficient manner in which they performed their various A.R.P. duties.

STRENGTH INCREASE

The following having qualified are posted to the A.R.P. Establishment.

Instructors—P. W. Wai, Mok Hing Yiu, F. K. Leung, M. Y. Adal, Kwan Man Wai, and Mohammed I. Razack.

Wardens—M. U. Razack, A. Prata, B. E. Tavares, Lee Po Tin, Chan Wai Ming, R. C. Danenberg, J. Gonzales, Lao Ip Yuen, A. White, A. J. Coelho, Leung Hon Chuen, F. Hollands, M. B. Hassan, and Lo Long Hin.

TRAINING

BLACKOUT EXERCISE—22ND SEPT.

Chief Wardens should arrange as soon as possible to hold a conference with their Divisional and District Wardens in order to ascertain any faults which the exercise brought to light and to make recommendations to obviate similar occurrences in any future exercises.

At a later date, a conference will be convened at this Headquarters to discuss the Chief Warden's Reports.

CERTIFICATES AND BADGES

Any Wardens who have not yet received their Certificates and badges should communicate with the Director of A.R.P.

FORTHCOMING LECTURES IN

ENGLISH—HONG KONG

Craigengower Cricket Club Happy Valley, Mondays and Thursdays at 8.30 p.m. Commencing October 2nd. (Miss Kelly).

Indian Recreation Club Sookunpo, Tuesdays and Fridays at 10 a.m. Commencing October 3rd. (Mrs. Steele-Perkins).

LECTURES NOW IN PROGRESS IN

CHINESE—HONG KONG

Chinese Chamber of Commerce, Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 7.30 p.m. Commenced October 2nd. (Miss Kelly).

Chinese Chamber of Commerce, Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday 7.30 p.m. Commenced 23.9.39. (Mr. Tsang Yam Kit).

KOWLOON

Chinese Public Dispensary Shamshuiipo, Monday, Wednesday and Friday 7.30 p.m. Commenced on 20.9.39. (Mr. Hung Man Fong).

Chinese Public School—Koon Kam Street, Hung Hom, Tuesday and Friday at 7.30 p.m. Commencing 28.9.39. (Mr. Lau Wah Chiu).

FORTHCOMING LECTURES IN

CHINESE—HONG KONG

King's College Bonham Road, Wednesday and Saturday at 7.30 p.m. Commencing 27.9.39. (Mr. Tong Sik Min).

Wantsi Govt. School, Monday and Thursday at 7.30 p.m. Commencing 28th Sept. (Mr. Ip Tai Sung).

Wantsi Govt. School, Tuesday and Friday at 7.30 p.m. Commencing 29.9.39. (Mr. Tang Man Choi).

Wantsi Govt. School, Wednesday and Saturday at 7.30 p.m. Commencing 27.9.39. (Mr. Paul Chak).

Bellios Public School, Monday and Thursday at 7.30 p.m. Commencing 28.9.39 (Miss Li Ol Sin).

Bellios Public School, Tuesday and Friday at 7.30 p.m. Commencing 28.9.39. (Mr. Ng Yee Chang).

KOWLOON IN CHINESE

Wah Yan College Nelson Street, Monday and Thursday at 7.30 p.m. Commencing 28.9.39. (Mr. Yuen Man Chung).

Wah Yan College Nelson Street, Tuesday and Friday at 7.30 p.m. Commencing 29.9.39. (Mr. Benson Wong).

Yaumati Govt. School, Wednesday and Saturday at 7.30 p.m. Commencing 7.10.39. (Mr. Ho Chok Nam).

SHORT COURSES FOR HOUSEBOYS IN HONG KONG

Indian Recreation Club, Monday and Thursday 2.45 to 3.45 p.m. Commencing 2nd October, 1939. (Mr. Fung Yam).

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DEMONSTRATION

An Incendiary Bomb Display for the benefit of students attending the A.R.P. Classes.

Sir,—We have been instructed to draw your attention to the remarks on Prostiteering by Mr. C. Champkin at the meeting of the Urban Council.

The actual position is that in the case of shipments to and from the United Kingdom the war risk rate immediately prior to the declaration of war was $\frac{1}{4}\%$ and that this rate was approved by the British Government which undertook the major part of the risk. Since the outbreak of war practically the entire United Kingdom war risk business has been transacted by the War Risks Insurance Office in London set up by the Board of Trade under the provisions of the War Risks Insurance Act 1939. The present War Risks Insurance Office rates are:

Via Mediterranean $4\frac{1}{2}\%$.

Via The Cape $3\frac{1}{2}\%$.

Insurance Companies rates which are set up by the Institute of London Underwriters (and not in Hong Kong) are based upon information collated in London from all sources upon which the degree of risk can be assessed.

It must not be overlooked that for voyages to and from the United Kingdom it is open to merchants to use the Government scheme, and companies are anxious to assist them to do so, as they prefer not to be interested in such a hazardous liability as present day war risk presents.

We consider it unnecessary to add anything further to show that Mr. Champkin's remarks as regards prostiteering in insurance were entirely misleading and could only have been made through ignorance. A copy of

this letter has been forwarded by us to the Chairman of the Urban Council.

Yours faithfully,
Lowe, Bingham & Matthews.
Secretaries.

The Marine Insurance Association of Hong Kong & Canton.

Wacky Kittu



FINED FOR ASSAULT

Before Mr. R. A. D. Forrest this morning, Hau Kwok-pat, 26, motor car driver, was charged with assault.

Inspector A. V. Baker, prosecuting, said that defendant was in a car which was being driven along Johnston Road at about 7 o'clock last night.

Tse Liu, a shop foki, was riding on bicycle behind the car. When the car stopped complainant overtook it, but the car started again and knocked him down. Defendant got out of the car, and struck the foki in the face. He was seen striking the blow and was arrested.

A fine of \$4 was imposed.

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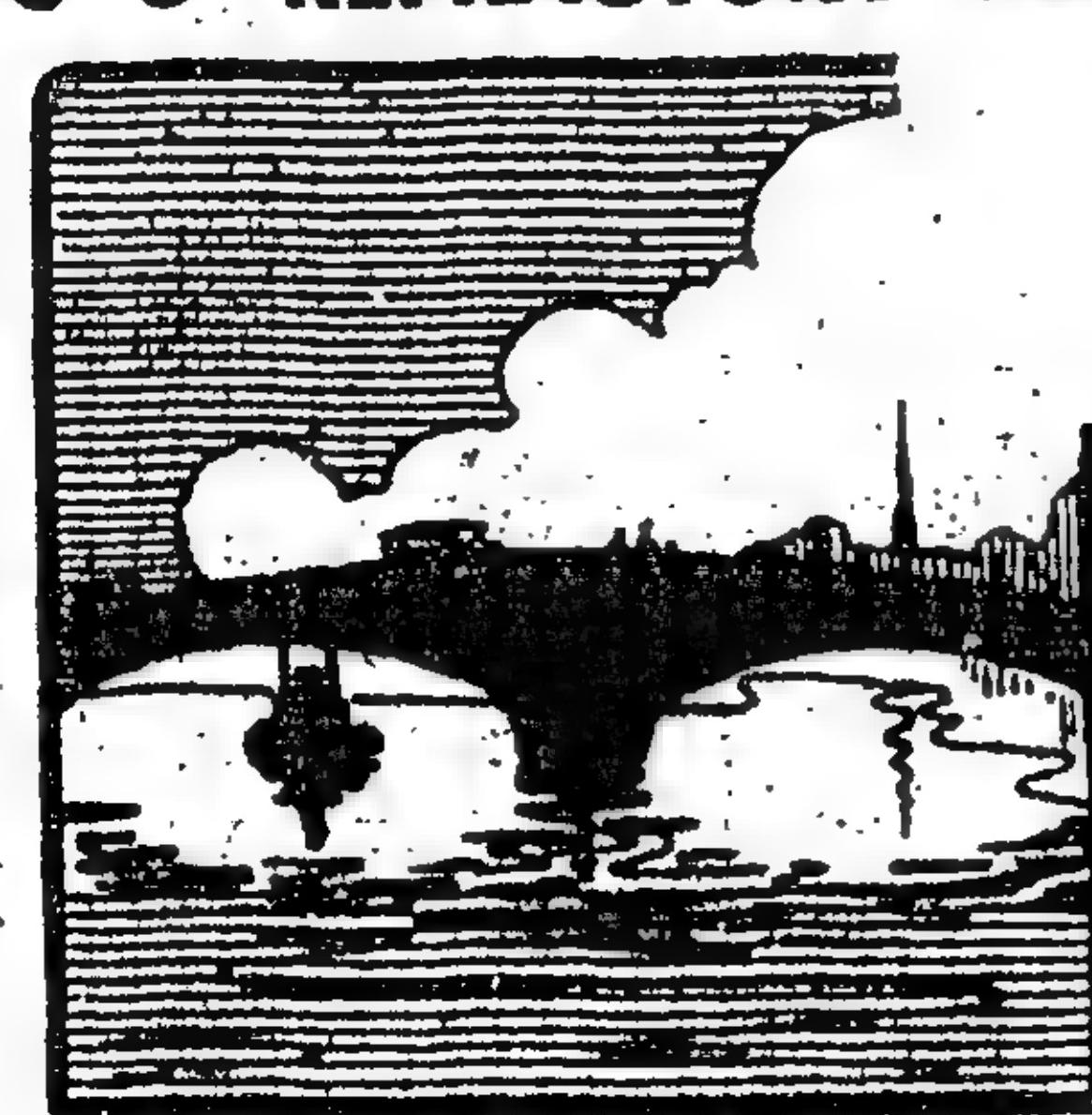
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The Fourth
Act Of
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12.15 p.m.—Short Service of Intercession.
12.30 p.m.—Leslie Hutchinson (Vocal) at the Piano.
My Heaven On Earth (film 'Start Cheering'); *So Little Time* (Hill-De Rose); *May I Have The Next Romance With You* (film 'Head Over Heels'); *Watching The Stars* (film 'Splinters in the Air').
12.43 p.m.—Jan Garber and His Orchestra.
Fox-Trots—*Moonlight In Waikiki*; *It's The Little Things That Count*; *Daddy's Boy*; *In A Little Dutch Kindergarten*; *The Girl In The Garden*.

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AN UNUSUAL LEAD

In accordance with our policy of never printing the names of victims, we withhold the name of the Declarer on to-day's hand. Suffice to say that Charles Auchincloss, president of the Regency Club in New York, dug a lead out of his hat which became responsible for defeating the unsound contract, which at the same time would normally have been made the way the cards lay.

North, Dealer.
Neither side vulnerable

♦ J 9 8 4	♦ K 4	♦ K 10 6 5	♦ K 9 8 3
♥ Q 10 6 3	♥ J 5 2	♥ A Q 3	♥ A Q 8 4
♦ 9 4 2	♦ J 7 6 2	♦ A K 5 2	♦ A K 8 7
♣ A Q 8 4	♣ J 10 5	♣ A K 5 2	♣ A K 8 7
N	W	E	S

The bidding:
North East South West
Pass Pass 1♦ Pass
3♦ Pass 4♦ Pass

As regards the bidding, North's jump to three spades was slightly optimistic, and South had almost an absolute minimum. However, as mentioned above, the way the cards lay, the contract would have been made, but.

Mr. Auchincloss opened the six of spades since he did not like to lead from his holding in any of the other three suits. The eight was played from dummy, Mr. Jacoby played the ten and Declarer won with the King and played the seven of dia-

monds, finessing dummy's ten. Mr. Jacoby won with the Queen and promptly returned the seven of trumps.

It never occurred to Declarer for a moment that Mr. Auchincloss would lead a spade from Queen and one. Hence, South figured, Mr. Jacoby originally held the Q-10-7. Accordingly, Declarer played the deuce. Mr. Auchincloss won with the Queen and, since he and his partner subsequently made both their Aces, the hand was down one trick.

* * *

Yesterday you were vulnerable and had 40 on score. You were the dealer and held:

♦ K 9 5
♥ A K Q J 6 5 4
♦ A
♣ K 6 4

What do you bid?

ANSWER: Your correct opening bid is two hearts in view of the part score. With a partial score of 40, partner is not absolutely forced to respond to an opening two-bid, and his response of two notrump should show at least two Queens.

Score 100% for two hearts, 70% for one heart, 0 for any other bid.

QUESTION NO. 217

You are David Bruce Burnstone's partner to-day and hold:

♦ 8 6 5 3
♥ A K 8 7 6
♦ 10 9 8
♣ 6

The bidding:

Burnstone	Jacoby	Reed	Major
1♦	Pass	1♥	Pass
1♦	Pass	(?)	

What do you bid? (Answer tomorrow.)

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Say It With Music—Medley (Ray Noble)...Rae da Costa (Piano). In The Chapel In The Moonlight (Hill)...Reginald Foort at the B.B.C. Theatre Organ.

1.30 p.m.—Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.45 p.m.—Chopin—Concerto No. 2 in F Minor, Op. 21. Arthur Rubinstein (Piano) and the London Symphony Orchestra conducted by John Barbirolli.

2.15 p.m.—Close down.

3 p.m.—Studio—Children's Programme.

6.45 p.m.—London Relay—News Supplement.

6.50 p.m.—Closing Local Stock Quotations.

6.52 p.m.—Sydney Gustard at the Organ.

Musical Comedy Medley. Intro: Waltz—"The lilac domino"; If you were the only girl — "The Bing Boys are here". Waltz—"The Maid of the Mountains"; I'm on the staff—"Arlette"; Song of the Vagabonds—"The Vagabond King"; Waltz—"Chocolate Soldier"; Please don't flirt with me—"To-night's the night"; Waltz—"Gipsy Love"; Waltz—"Count of Luxembourg"; The Love Nest—"Mary"; Waltz and Finale—"The Merry Widow".

7.02 p.m.—Songs by Benjamino Gigli (Tenor).

La Serenata (Cesareo-Tost); Matinata Veneziana (de Mari-Cinque); If I Could Forget Your Eyes (Sandoval-Albeniz); It Is You (Sandoval).

7.15 p.m.—Alfredo and His Orchestra.

Tell Me Again (Grosz); Russian Gipsy Sketch (Ferraris); Yiddische Wedding Fantasia (arr. Michaeloff); Wedding Dance Waltz (Lincke); Magyar Melodies (Vilmos, arr. Piercy); Old Bohemian Town (Marsden and Kennedy); Cara Mia (Sievier and Prisker).

7.40 p.m.—Studio—Another "Musical Cocktail" by Erich Porges (Piano) (from Jimmy's Kitchen).

8 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

8.03 p.m.—Variety Programme with Sophie Tucker, The Vagabond Lover and The Mills Brothers.

Vocal—Life Begins At Forty (Yellen-Shapiro); When A Lady Meets A Gentleman Down South (Oppenheim and Others)... Sophie Tucker with Orchestra.

Fox-Trots—Lovelight In The Starlight (film 'Her Jungle Love'); An Old Straw Hat (film 'Rebecca of Sunnybrook Farm')... Bunny Berigan and His Orchestra.

Vocal—Long About Midnigh (Mills Hill); Swing Is The Thing (from 'Blackbirds of 1938')... The Mills Brothers (Four boys and a guitar).

Fox-Trots—Jam Session: Chloe... Benny Goodman and His Orch.

Vocal—Lucia (Lisbona, Bixio); Little Village Green (Hackforth, Strecker)... The Vagabond Lover (Tenor).

Fox-Trot—The Maidens Of Tyrol... Jay Wilbur and His Band.

Vocal—Aren't Women Wonderful? (Shapiro and Scott)... Sophie Tucker with Orchestra.

Vocal—Put On Your Old Grey Bonnet (Murphy and Wenrich); Sleepy Head (film 'Operator 13')... The Mills Brothers (four boys and a guitar).

8.45 p.m.—Studio—The Development of Britain's Air Arm. A talk by E. J. Wynne-Jones.

9.15 p.m.—London Relay—The News.

9.30 p.m.—Schumann Songs. Mondnacht; Der Nussbaum... Karl Erb (Tenor) with Piano accompaniment by Bruno Seidler-Winkler.

Gypsy Life... Chorus of Berlin State Opera.

9.45 p.m.—Schumann—Sonata in D Minor, Op. 121—2nd, 3rd and 4th Movements. Hephzibah and Yehudi Menuhin (Piano and Violin).

10.05 p.m.—Bizet—The Fair Maid of Perth—Belle Sir Thomas Beecham conducting the London Philharmonic Orchestra.

10.23 p.m.—Verdi's "Aida" Act IV. Characters and Soloists in order of appearance: Maria Carlucci (Mozzo-Soprano)...Amneris, Pharaoh's daughter: Arnoldo Lindi (Tenor) ...Rhadames, a young warrior: Tancredi Pasero (Bass)...Ramilta, High Priest: G. Arandi-Lombardi (Soprano)...Aida; with Full Chorus of La Scala, Milan and Orchestra.

11 p.m.—Close down.

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Quadrangular Tournament Possible?

RIDDELL GETTING THE XV INTO FINE SHAPE

(By "SCRUM-HALF")

"IF I CAN GET all the fellows to turn up to practice, and if they will train really seriously, we will give the Club as good a game as they could desire, if we do not actually beat them."

These words uttered by Sgt. J. S. Riddell, Police Rugby coach, are no idle words. Yesterday Police held their third practice and they have the talent, let there be no doubt about that, so much so that the Triangular Tournament could quite easily be made a Quadrangular Tournament and Police would not be the wooden-spoonists.

Last season Police entered competitive Rugby after Chinese New Year and, despite considerable inexperience but no lack of keenness, they staggered local sporting circles by winning the Blarney Stone Shield in the Rugby Sevens Tournament, beating Gibb, Livingstone's, who had H. D. Bidwell and W. E. Grieve, in the Final. The Police team on that occasion was: Taylor, Wilson, Fay, Luscombe, Oakley, Heath and Searle. By careful coaching on the part of Riddell and strict control of their games by Dr. "Jake" Selby the Police players learned a great deal in their brief season, and for enthusiasm they stood supreme.

They are fortunate to have lost only Oakley, a forward and a member of their seven, and Hemsley, who took up the game for the first time last season and who showed great signs of promise. Among the newcomers are Right-Nooth, who is due here next month and who played at forward for the Metropolitan Police College at Home and who can also fill a three-quarter berth, Todd, who played at forward for Dundee High School, and Hoggarth, who plays Rugger and soccer. Todd and Hoggarth arrived in the Colony this week.

TO PLAY REGULARLY

Luscombe and Fay, the two halves, have finished their spells in Macao and will now be available regularly.

Subject of course to rearrangement after the newcomers have been tried out, Police are in a position to field the following team: Wall; Taylor, McKenzie, Leslie and Wilson; Fay and Luscombe; Jenner, Searle, Davitt, Innis, Cullinan, Heath, Wheeler and possibly Right-Nooth.

Wall, ex-Army player — he was formerly with Royal Ulster Rifles — is one of the best full-backs in the Colony, while Taylor, an Interpreter is his first season here, and G. E. Wilson are two very formidable wing three-quarters. Fay and Luscombe are two accomplished half-backs with a good understanding and Searle is a dour hooker supported by experienced forwards in Cullinan, ex-Army player — he was with Royal Engineers — Jenner, Davitt, Innis and H. W. E. Heath, a more than useful wing-forward.

In addition to the above T. J. Houston might be persuaded to play regularly at wing three-quarter and so enable Wilson to strengthen the centre. Houston played well the once or twice he turned out last season.

EXPERIENCED COACH

Wilson is skippering the fifteen this season with Heath as his right-hand man. Riddell, the coach, was one of the Scottish Own Borderers' best forwards when they were last stationed here, and it was not long before he secured Interpreter recognition as a Club member. In 1931 he was largely responsible for the formation of Kow-

loon Rugby Club and was an inspiration to the inexperienced pack that club fielded. Now he has introduced Rugby into the local Police Force and, from what I have seen of it, he has made an excellent job of it. He is also secretary of the soccer section.

Police are using their new ground at Boundary Street for practices, every Wednesday, but they will not play any matches on this ground until January at the earliest due to present water problems. They will be playing in new colours this season — blue shorts and red, black and gold hoop jerseys with stockings to match. These colours are the Police colours.

Fixture List

The following are the Police fixtures:

Wed., Oct. 25th	v Club "A" (Club ground, 5.15 p.m.).
Sat., Nov. 4th	v Club "A" (Army ground, 3.15 p.m.).
Sat., ..	11th—Police and Club v United Services (Club ground, 4.30 p.m.).
Sat., ..	18th—Police and Navy v Army and Club (Army ground, 4.15 p.m.).
Wed., ..	29th—v Club "A" (Club ground, 4.45 p.m.).
Sat., Dec. 16th	v Club (Army ground, 2.45 p.m.).
Wed., ..	27th—v Club "A" (Club ground, 4.45 p.m.).
Sat., Jan. 6th	v Club (Navy ground, 2.45 p.m.).
Mon., ..	8th—Sevens Tournament (Club ground).
Wed., ..	10th—Sevens Tournament (Club ground).
Sat., ..	13th—Sevens Tournament (Club ground).
Sat., ..	20th—Police "A" and Club "A" v United Services "A" (Army ground, 2.45 p.m.).
Sat., ..	20th—Police and Club v United Services (Army ground, 4 p.m.).
Sat., Feb. 3rd	v Army (Police ground, 4.15 p.m.).
Sat., ..	10th—v Navy (Police ground, 4.15 p.m.).
Sat., Mar. 9th	v H. K. V. D. C. (Police ground, 4.15 p.m.).
Sat., ..	16th—Police "A" and Club "A" v United Services "A" (Club ground, 3 p.m.).
Sat., ..	16th—Police and Club v United Services (Club ground, 4.15 p.m.).

CLUB PLAYING SOCCER ON SUNDAY

For the first time in the history of the club, Hong Kong Football Club will play a game on a Sunday, and are meeting St. Joseph's on the Club ground at 5 p.m.

The game was to be played on Saturday but has been postponed owing to volunteer exercises.

Y.M.C.A. HOCKEY TEAMS

The following hockey teams have been selected by Y.M.C.A.:

Second XI:—(v Royal Signals, Saturday, 3.30 p.m. Club ground). H. Millington; R. Leigh and A. Dalziel; H. Smits, W. Stone and R. Baldwin; L. Macey, A. Mackenzie; R. Dorner, D. Spare and A. Rix. Umpire—R. Banks.

First XI:—(v Royal Engineers, Saturday, 4.45 p.m. Club ground). V. Benwell; H. Jordan and E. Yurieff; A. F. Austen, R. A. Bates and E. Fowler; S. Smith, C. Gemmell, J. Bartlett, W. Colledge and L. Coombe. Umpire—G. Dove.

BOWLING ALLEY JOTTINGS

VENEZIA AND GOLDEN GIVE FINE PERFORMANCES

(By "STRIKE")

THERE WAS A VERY KEEN and interesting match played in the Alleys on Thursday last between the Champs and our old friends the U.S.S. "Mindanao."

This is actually the second game that has been played between the two outfits, although the Mindanao team were known as the "Mindanao Hopefuls," and the Champs as the "Competitors," on that occasion the Champs won by 477 points, the scores being:

The Competitors	1855
Mindanao Hopefuls	1378

It was a three-game match only.

On Thursday night there was a five-game match and the Champs won by 235 points, the scores being:

The Champs	3113
U.S.S. Mindanao	2873

It was thus evident that Mindanao were a very much improved and balanced team.

VENEZIA AGAIN

Dick Venezia as usual notched the highest score for the match with 880 or an average of 176 pins per game, and Sam Golden of the Mindanao was a good second with 829 or an average of 166 pins per game. Doc Molthen was the only player to register over 200, (he made 204).

The Champs won the first, third, only taking the second game by the fourth, and fifth games, Mindanao narrow margin of six pins.

On the whole neither team seemed comfortable and did not play up to their usual high standard. No doubt there was some excuse for the Champs, because the previous evening they had bowled a very hard five-game match, against U. S. S. "Asheville", and were no doubt fatigued out!

This was evidently the case with Doc Molthen who started off in his first game by scoring 204, and finished up his fifth game by scoring 90!

FAILED IN ONE GAME

Both Sam Golden and Dick Venezia might have made their usual 900 of 190 per game if they had not both failed in one game each. Golden in his second game only scored 122 pins, while Venezia in his second game only managed 144 pins.

However all the spectators thoroughly enjoyed the fare provided.

It is surprising how popular "Duck Pins" has become in the Alleys soon after the opening of the Alleys, but now it is quite common to see as many as four or five alleys all on with Duck Pins. Of course we have such keen exponents of this small pin game, as J. S. Landolt, and Mrs. E. Soong. Landolt holds the Alley record for men with 148.

Keen interest has been shown by five Russian trainers from Jockey Club who attend the Alley frequently and are therefore very proficient in the art of Duck Pin Bowling.

I have before me the one game they played, (the five of them) the scores of which would make it hard for another team of five to beat them: these are the figures:

Mr. Popoff 85, Mr. Alexchijoff 105, Mr. John Chitoff 114, Mr. Belokopitoff 94, and Mr. Mihail 82; total 480. These are extremely good Duck Pins scores, the average for the five gentlemen being 96 pins.

It is the wish of every Bowler to be the highest scorer of the month, and thus have his name on Watson's Shield and also his name upon the Alley monthly record board.

Jack Odell appeared likely to have this honour with 243 scored on the September 9, but this was beaten by Sam Golden of U.S.S. "Mindanao" on Monday night with 248.

He put up a wonderful game by scoring a spare, strike, spare, followed by six strikes in succession, and finishing up with a spare in his tenth game. With the extra ball, however, he only managed eight.

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AN interesting situation has arisen as the result of the war. It was considered unlikely by many cricketers that Navy would be able to participate in the Cricket League this season.

At best they would be certain to experience considerable difficulty in raising sides.

A solution, however, appears to have presented itself. Included in the H.K.N.V.F. which is now mobilised are several local club cricketers ranked among the best in the Colony. These players have been warned that they will be expected to turn out for Navy in the League.

To my recollection the following players will be affected; L. D. Kilbee (Club), F. Baker (Civil Service), D. S. Robb (Club), G. W. P. Carey (Club), H. M. Cockle (Civil Service) and C. M. Stark (Club).

It will be recalled that the Naval Volunteers turned out a team last

SPORTS PARADE

year in a whole-day match against Royal Navy and, while I cannot remember the result, I do know they gave a very good account of themselves.

On that occasion Stark first made a name for himself locally, proving to be a fast-medium bowler of great accuracy who makes good use of the new ball.

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THE Haliphong selected team who have not been defeated in the three game in the Colony are returning to Indo-China at the end of the week a sad team for their share of the gate receipts have fallen far below

expectations and it appears that the adventure will result in a loss of over \$1,000.

Their three games in the Colony realised a nett share of a little over \$800 which was barely enough for living expenses incurred here during their week's stay and the loss will have to be borne by the promoters of the trip.

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HAD Eastern been a better drawing team they might have covered a greater part of their expenses in the first game and had the South China teams been in the Colony and players from that club chosen to represent the

Chinese Federation, they could reasonably have expected to cover their expenses.

Working on a 70-30 per cent basis was far from satisfactory as far as the visiting team was concerned, but they were anxious to make the trip and did not think it necessary to ask for a minimum guarantee.

Eastern, with little expenses incurred—all expenses incurred with the games, including printing, police supervision and refreshments were deducted before the proportionately have financially benefitted by the visit.

THE visitors are negotiating with South China for a game on Saturday or Sunday and if this materialises the visitors should be able to reduce their deficit considerably as there is no doubt that South China on their first appearance after their tour, will be well supported.

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Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements.				Contents in Square feet.	Annual Rental	Upset Price
			N.	S.	E.	W.			
1	Inland Lot No. 5532.	Adjoining Island Lot No. 5032; Sung Woo Road, Wong Nei Chung.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.	About 19,450	\$253	\$3,750

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			N.	S.	E.	W.			
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FRENCH AND NAZI A.A. GUNS IN ACTION

(Our Own Correspondent)

(By Telegraph. Received, September 28, 11.32 a.m.)

Paris, To-day.

Aerial activity along the French and German borders is increasing daily, involving numerous air battles, and occasionally intense fire by the anti-aircraft batteries on either side.

Yesterday, French planes made frequent raids on German territory near the Swiss border, principally engaged on reconnaissance work, but occasionally dropping a bomb on German military concentrations.

ASSURED OF MAJORITY

Washington, To-day.

Backers of President Roosevelt's neutrality proposals announced last evening that they had obtained 56 Senate votes, or seven over the majority, in favour of revision of the Neutrality Law.

Further support was provided by Mr. Al Smith, former political opponent of President Roosevelt, who announced that he would appeal for support for revision of the Law.—Reuter.

YUNNAN-ANNAM RAILWAY WASH-OUT

Kunming, To-day.
Traffic on the Yunnan-Annam Rail-

The Germans retaliated by sending planes across into the French area between the Rhine and Sierenz, on the railway between Basle and Mulhouse.

From 11.30 a.m. onwards yesterday, French anti-aircraft guns in Southern Alsace were busy warding off a series of attacks on French soil, the German raiders dropping numerous bombs. Civilians have long been evacuated from this area.

Reports from Basle, meanwhile, recount how Swiss residents for the second time in 24 hours watched a thrilling combat between French aircraft and German ground defences.

Two squadrons of French planes raided the area near Basle at about noon, and extremely heavy A.A. fire was opened up, without success.

When German pursuits went up, the French planes had returned across the border.—Our Own Correspondent.

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A German internee, under treatment in the Kowloon Hospital for the past few days, made a sensational escape shortly after 1 a.m. to-day.

His name is given as Karl was placed in the La Salle Internment Camp when the war in Europe broke out.

A few days ago he was admitted to the Kowloon Hospital and was placed in a ward with a police guard.

Early this morning the man was found to be missing and immediately all police stations were informed.

Up the time of going to press, he had not yet been rearrested.

Unconfirmed reports suggest that the escapee was assisted by his wife who, together with a Chinese servant hired a car and proceeded with her husband to the border.

It is also reported that when driving in the New Territories, the car was stopped by a constable. In reply to an inquiry, Jocheim stated that they were going to Fanling on urgent business.

On reaching the border, they left the car and crossed into Chinese territory, the report, unconfirmed, asserts.

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